INGS IN THE COUNTRY.

... of Grace Wood to W. R. Mee ... Westermann-Smelter Nuptials.

...riage of Miss Grace Woods and ... eeClintre occurred at the home of ...'s mother, Mrs. Margaret Woods, ...oneshall ... south of Elwin, ... evening Jan. 24, and was wit... a large number of friends and ...

... I. Rinkson ... The wed... [illegible] ... useful presents were ...

[illegible] ... the wedding march ... Mrs. Jesse ... and the ... the south ... ceremony was performed. ... an ...

... tisteful gown ... white carnations. ... the ... daughter of ... Woods and ... popular ... young ... in Elwin for a ... well known. ... were A. W. ... of Lincoln ... Mr. and Mrs. ... and Mrs. ... of Bethany, The ... of ... and Mrs. M... visit a few ... Bethany and D... They ... housekeeping about February 1 ... H. Logan's farm ... and one-half ... northeast of Elwin.

WESTERMAN-SMELTERS.

... of the bride's parents, Mr. ... Mrs. Samuel Smelters north of At... Wed... occurred the marriage ... youngest daughter, Lulu to John ...rman. Promptly at 12 o'clock the ... party descended the stairs to the ... of Lohengrin's wedding march ren... by D. C. Bant and entered the ... parlor and stood under a beautiful ... prepared for the occasion, where they ... joined in the holy bonds of matri... Rev. D. C. Blunt officiated. ...er the ceremony and congratulations ... guests repaired to the dining room ... a bounteous wedding breakfast was ... The house was beautifully decorat... with cut flowers and potted plants, the ... being green and laven...

... bride was attired in a becoming ... of blue poplar with white trim... and carried a large bouquet of ...'s roses.

...e presents were numerous and useful. ...ut 25 guests witnessed the ceremony, ...ng them were Miss Carrie Ashton and ... Eaton of Decatur, Mr. and Mrs. ... of Oreana, and Mr. and Mrs. Jani... of Mt. Pulaski.

...he young couple will go to housekeep... at once in a new home already fur... in Argenta.

WARRENSBURG.

Mr. McF... is on the sick list.

... G. Ayers of Decatur spent Thursday ...

...el Harris, who spent several weeks ... friends in Huntingburg, Ind., re... home last Tuesday.

...ewis Smithers and family whose home ... recently destroyed by fire are stopping ... Will Smithers.

Mrs. Wm. Ayers returned to her home at ... Saturday after a few days' visit ... Alston and family.

...he curfew ordinance recently passed by ... village board went into effect Monday ...ening.

...Opie, superintendent of Decatur dis... of the Illinois children's home and aid ... occupied the pulpit at the M. E. ... Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryant who had been liv... in John Clark's house for the past few ... left for parts unknown some time ... week taking with them as much as pos... the clothing, etc., of Mr. Clark.

Supt. J. G. Keder visited the schools in ... vicinity last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Conely spent Sunday ... with Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Tozer.

Jan. 23.

PIERSON.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Shields of near ... visited friends in town Sunday.

Rev. Mrs. Miller filled her appointment ... the hall Sunday.

The family of J. L. Stallsworth still ... ill.

Miss Catt Robbins is very ill of fever at ... of J. L. Stallsworth.

J. B. Fisher returned last week from a ... visit in Dixon.

Mrs. Simeon Cromwell has been very ill ... is now able to be out again.

Em Masser has rented a farm near Fair... and will move there soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Erhardt were Atwood ... Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Francher, Miss ...ayme Brancher and Mr. Lowe of Ham... attended church here Sunday.

Little Lois Kremer is slowly improving.

Henry Johnson of Ivesdale was in town ... last week. Jan. 23

FORSYTH.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ferry entertained Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stewart and daughter Ethel of Decatur Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elwood McKinley a daughter.

Edna Benton is on the sick list.

Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst and Miss Mary Parkhurst visited at Emery last week.

Mrs. A. B. Farler and daughter Cleo visited in Decatur Sunday.

Mrs. V. W. Benton and sons Arthur, Robbie and Fred went to see the Pixies Tuesday night.

Rev. Horace Reed preached at the church Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lola McIntosh entertained a company of friends last Friday night.

The Orients had some initiations Friday night with the usual good fun attached to it.

Mr. and Mrs. V. T. Hays entertained at cards Tuesday evening.

Edna and Kate Jones of Emery visited Mrs. D. L. Parkhurst Tuesday.

John Zears from the south part of the state visited J. B. Parkhurst Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Drury visited Mrs. Bisley Sunday. Jan. 23.

MORGANSVILLE.

George Elliott made a business trip to Decatur Tuesday.

Cooper Crost and son Willis was in Springfield Saturday.

The basket festival which was held at Madison church Thursday evening of last week was a success financially and socially. The net proceeds amounted to about $30.

Last Sunday evening the young folks of the Madison church met and organized a Christian Endeavor society with the following officers. Pres. Will Hupp; vice president, George Browning; recording secretary, Raymond Cottle; assistant secretary, Tom Moffett; treasurer, Ed Hupp; organist, Kate Black; cornetist, S. B. Moffett.

Jan. 23.

Killed the Grass.

The freezing weather of yesterday killed the growth of grass which had sprung up during the warm weather of several weeks past. In many of the hilly places in the country the grass had attained a considerable growth, especially on the south side of the hills where the sun shone warmly.

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LIKE RATS IN A TRAP

Warren's Brave Men Caught in an Exposed Position and Literally Shot to Death By the Enemy.

BOERS FIRE FROM UNSEEN POSITIONS

Hail of Rifle Bullets With Sixteen Shells Exploding in Rifle Pits Every Minute—England Now Waiting for Roberts to Advance Into Free State.

THE BRITISH LOSS WAS NEARLY ONE THOUSAND

London, Jan. 29.—A special despatch from ... Camp, dated Jan. 26, 9:10 p. m., says: "I have just ridden in here, leaving Gen. Buller's forces in new positions south of the Tugela to which they retired in consequence of the reverses at Spion Kop.

The fighting, both before and after the capture of the mountain was of the most desperate character. Spion Kop is a precipitous mountain over-topping the ... line of kopjes along the upper Tugela. On the eastern side the mountain ... Mt. Alice and Potgieters Drift, ... at right angles to the Boer central ... and Lyttleton's advanced position, ... the southern point descends in abrupt ... to the lower line of kopjes. On the ... side, opposite the right outposts ... Warren's force, it is inaccessibly steep ... the point where the nek joins the kop ... the main range.

... there is a gentle slope which affords easy access to the summit. The nek ... strongly held by the Boers who also ... a heavy spur parallel with the ... where the enemy was concealed in ... fewer than 35 rifle pits and was thus ... able to bring to bear upon our men a ... raging cross fire, the only possible point ... British attack being the southern side ... virtually sheer precipices on the left ... right.

A narrow foot path, admitting the men ... single file only to the summit, opens ... into a perfectly flat tableland, of probably 200 square yards area, upon which the ... had hastily commenced to make ... traverse trenches. Our men were able ... occupy the further end of this tableland, where the ridge descended to another ... which was again succeeded by a round ... eminence held by the Boers in great strength.

This ridge was held by our men and was ... by a number of strong little kopjes ... angles whence the Boers sent a concentrated fire from their rifles supported by Maxim, Nordenfeldt and big long range guns. What with rifles, machine guns and big guns, the summit was converted into a perfect hell. Shells exploded continually ... ranks and the rifle fire from an absolutely unseen enemy, was perfectly appalling. Reinforcements were hurried up by Gen. Warren, but they had to cross the ... of flat ground which was literally ... with the flying lead of the enemy. The unfinished trench on the summit gave a very questionable shelter as the enemy's guns were so accurately trained upon the place that often 16 shells fell in a trench in a single minute.

Mortal man could not permanently hold such a position. Our gallant fellows held ... tenaciously for 24 hours, then taking advantage of the dark night abandoned it to the enemy.

London, Jan. 29.—History pauses for a time in South Africa. It is one of those unsatisfactory pauses that are neatly as trying to the British nerves as the sequence of reverses and apparently it will terminate only when Lord Roberts gives word for the forward movement into the Free State, which, according to the most cheerful view, will be unable to do or a fortnight. Whether he will permit Gen. Buller to make another attempt to relieve Ladysmith is quite outside the knowledge even of those closely connected with the war office. With the troops due to arrive next month, he may think himself strong enough to try two large operations. Combining the forces under Gen. Methuen, French and Gatacre, and adding to them the arriving troops, Lord Roberts would have 70,000 for the invasion of the Free State with 40,000 to 50,000 guarding communications, and 40,000 trying to rescue Ladysmith. The public burns with impatience that something should be done.

But there is nothing to do but wait on preparation. Oceans of ink are poured out in advice. Orators are at work in provinces telling the people that England has "set her teeth in grim determination to see it through."

The government's declarations in parliament, the counter suggestions of those outside the government and the consequent discussion in the press and on the platform will immediately enthrall the public interest. A thing on which everybody seems agreed is that more men must go.

Twenty thousand two hundred and twenty-two men, 155 guns are at sea and 11,000 infantry, and 9,000 cavalry including the 5,000 yeomen are practically ready to embark. Therefore the government without doing more can place at the disposal of Lord Roberts 40,000 additional men and 155 guns. Further purposes of the war office officials are supposed to embrace somewhere in the neighborhood of 50,000 more men. As the indication is that candidates will be rather scarce, the war office will issue orders for the reservists, who were found unfit at previous mobilization and examinations, to report for further examination. Applications for cavalry service are still freely offering as yeomanry.

General Buller's operations has cost 912 men so far officially reported within a few days. Applying to the 206 Spion Kop casualties reported today, the rule of proportion of loss of officers indicate 500 casualties yet to come. The total casualties of the war compiled from official reports are 9525, nearly a division. Of these 2488 were killed, 4811 wounded and the rest are prisoners.

Foreign Consuls to Protoria.

London, Jan. 29.—A correspondent ... Lorenzo-Marques telegraphing yesterday, says: "Gen. Gourko, the Russian ..., has arrived at Pretoria and the ... attache Col. Vilevois-Mareuil has ... for Goosburg.

... the Boers disseminate false news ... been illustrated. Herr Pott, ... consul here, received telegrams from Pretoria announcing the capture of ... British prisoners on the Tugela. ... officially communicated to the ... authorities. It is now admitted ... only 150 were captured.

An officer who was interviewed after the capture said he was the only officer ... in the action at the time of surrender. He did not order the hoisting of the white flag, but having been exposed in a fierce fight for eight hours, they continued to fight though only 20 of them remained.

Among the slain at Tugela is Lieutenant Breswitz, a German officer who joined the Boers two months.

After a week of uncertainty the British residents of the Transvaal have been informed that there is no desire to expel any except a few undesirables. President Kruger, however, has given a significant warning that if the Boers are forced to starve, the Britishers will share the same fate.

The Situation is Unchanged.

London, Jan. 30, 12:15 a. m.—War office announces no further news has been received from South Africa except from Lord Roberts that the situation is unchanged.

Home Troops in Africa.

London Jan. 29—The aggregate of British home troops in South Africa number 11,... that of Natalians 7155 and of Cape Colonials 21,000.

What Will Boers Do Next?

London, Jan. 29.—Spencer Wilkinson in the Morning Post says: "Defeat is bitter. But it is right to face it and take reasonable means to turn it into victory. It is wrong to try to conceal it from ourselves.

"The initiative is now again with the Boer commander and the question is what will he do next? He either will act against Ladysmith or against Gen. Buller. In the latter case, pursuit will be useless for when the British force is once across the river again, it will be impracticable as a small rear guard could prevent pursuit. It is much more probable that it would be an attack on Chieveley before a return of the main body. Either that or a fresh assault on Ladysmith may be recorded in a day or two."

Wilkinson then proceeds to point out the groundlessness of the fears that strategic suggestions made in England might be useful to the enemy.

He says the censorship stands in the way of any such benefit to the Boers, and that, moreover, if the Boer generals want suggestions they can easily get them from the German press.

As such matters are likely to come under the attention of parliament he discusses at length the questions of artillery and the like, concluding as follows:

"The measures now urgently needed are the development of the military resources of the country by the initiative of the government. With 100,000 men in the field and 50,000 to follow, the moment has come to push on the training of all troops left at home and to further raise troops to supply the further needs of the campaign."

Brave Officers Perish.

London, Jan. 29.—The following list of casualties is supplied by General Buller:

Killed: Staff Captain M. H. Virtue, Captain S. M. Stewart, Lieuts. F. R. Mallock, E. Fraser, Second Lancashire Fusiliers; Captain C. Muriel, Lieuts. W. Lawley, H. A. Wilson, 2d Middlesex; Major A. J. Ross, Captain M. W. Kirk, Lieut. A. H. Wade, 2d Lancaster regiment; Lieut. Pipe-Wolferstan, 2d King's Scottish borderers; Captain C. G. Birch, Lieut. F. M. Rachael, 1st South Lancashires; Lieut. H. W. Garvey, 1st Borderers; Captains The Hon. W. H. Petre, C. S. H. Know-Gore, Lieuts. C. G. Grenfell, P. F. Newman, P. S. Macorquedale and Hill-Trevor, Thornycroft's mounted infantry; Lieut. Randall, Knochsand, Imperial Light infantry; Col. Blomfield (taken prisoner) Maj. W. F. Waller; Lieuts. R. S. Wilson, L. Charlton, 2d Lancashire fusiliers; Maj. E. W. Scott-Monorieff, Captains G. W. Saville, R. de H. Burton, G. W. Bentley, 2d Middlesex; Captain W. Sanbach, Lieut. Dykes, J. A. Nixon, G. R. Stephens, 2d Lancashires; General Woodgate (dangerously.) Captains F. M. Carlton, Lieuts. A. W. Forester, J. W. Baldwin, staff; Captain R. A. Bettington, Lieut. Howard, Thornycroft's mounted infantry.

Missing: Captains W. G. Elmslie, Hicks, G. B. French 2d Lancashires fusiliers; Major G. A. Carlton 2d Royal Lancashires; Lieut. Powel-Ellis, Thornycroft's Mounted infantry.

Dr. Leyd's is Interviewed.

Berlin, Jan. 29—To the correspondent of the Associated Press who interviewed him today Dr. Leyds, diplomatic representative of the Transvaal republic, made the following statement:

"I know nothing about the reported mission of either Mr. Macrum or Webster Davis. Nor to the best of my knowledge is either a bearer of a message of peace. There is no movement under way on our part to induce President McKinley to intervene between Great Britain and the Transvaal. As I do not at present have direct communication with Pretoria I do not know what Montague White's mission is, except to establish diplomatic relations with the United States. All this talk about peace is sadly pre-mature. Great Britain surely will not succumb now. Neither will we. While we are talking here, it may be a decisive battle is being fought there, for I presume Lord Roberts has withdrawn the troops around Ladysmith and is massing them for formidable coup."

Leyds repeated his former declaration that the Boers when concluding peace would want back part at least of the territories which England "stole from the Boers." He rather expects also that the harbor of South Mozambique will go to the Transvaal. "For our legitimate extension" he added, "we need free access to the sea." He asserted emphatically that one condition of peace would be the recognition of the absolute independence of the Transvaal.

Berlin certainly is very much excited over him. He is overwhelmed with invitations. His apartments at the Palast hotel where the Transvaal flag is flying, are besieged day and night by crowds, including contractors and mining speculators, as well as fine ladies and gentlemen of court and army officers who wish to congratulate him upon the Boer successes or offer their services.

The Queen's Speech Colorless

London, Jan. 29—It has been learned by the Associated Press that the Quen's speech on the reassembling of parliament tomorrow will be colorless. It will be short in reference to the war, chiefly confined to regrets at the terrible bloodshed, and encomiums of men who laid down their lives for their country. The who'e proclamation indicates there is not the slightest idea of giving up the war until Great Britain's ends are gained. The speech will further say that the relations with all foreign states are very friendly, and will express great pleasure and gratification at the patriotism shown by the colonies at the critical period in sending troops to South Africa and at the patriotism existing in the empire generally. It will also express gratification at the offers of troops from Indian native chiefs and will allude to the satisfactory completion of the treaty relating to Samoa.

A cabinet minister who was interviewed by a reporter for the Associated Press said:

"I do not believe the session opening tomorrow will materialize into anything serious. Diatribes on the government will doubtless be a little more vicious than formerly, but I believe sober minded men of both parties realize however much there may be to criticise that the government is doing its best and it would be most unpatriotic to attempt to tie its hands at such a time. We are not nervous as to the result of the session.

Propose Vote of Censure.

London, Jan. 29—The opposition leaders have decided upon Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, member for Cricklade division of Wilts, to move an amendment to the address of the queen involving a vote of censure. The amendment will be of a comprehensive character, virtually convicting the government of want of knowledge, foresight and judgment in the management of South Africa affairs since 1895 and in preparations for the war. It is supported by several prominent members of the opposition identified with Lord Roseberry's views and the debate is expected to occupy a week.

Still Shelling Kimberly.

London Jan. 29—The Times has the following heliograph message via Modder River from Kimberly dated Jan. 26 "The bombardment continues. It is now directed toward the inhabited portions of the town rather than the fortifications. Between midnight and 4 p. m., yesterday 145 shells were fired. They seem to have been of Transvaal manufacture, not bursting widely. One child was killed and four people injured.

MASON PROTESTS

Enters Vigorous Objections to Interview With a British Consul.

IN WHICH HE WAS CRITICIZED

Senator Tillman Speaks On the Philippine War Situation.

SHIFTS BLAME TO SENATE

Argues That Senators Who Ratified the Treaty Are Responsible.

Washington, Jan. 29—Senator William E. Mason of Illinois arose today soon after the senate convened to a question privilege and sharply attacked British government and British vice consul at New Orleans because of an interview in which the vice consul had assailed Mason for the position he had taken in behalf of the Transvaal republic in its war with Great Britain. Mr. Mason attacked not only the consul but the policy of Great Britain in levying war upon an inferior nation.

Senator Hoar, republican of Massachusetts, thought the consul's purported remarks so serious that it ought to be investigated by the government; but at the same time, he deprecated the attack upon Great Britain, a people with which the American people ought not only to live in peace, but as loving and devoted friends.

Mr. Lodge, republican of Massachusetts, sharply arraigned the British consul for his utterances against a United States senator and believed it ought not to be lightly passed. The matter was then referred to the committee on foreign relations.

Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota presented a resolution asking the president whether the people of Samoa had been consulted in reference to the recent treaty regarding the islands. It went over.

Senator Allison of Iowa, presented an order to proceed to the election of secretary and sergeant-at-arms. Adopted.

Then on motion of Mr. Allison the resolutions were adopted which selected C. C. Bennett of New York as secretary and D. M. Ransdell of Indiana, sergeant-at-arms.

Senator Mason of Illinois rising to a question personal privilege had read an interview with the British consul at New Orleans, in which the Illinois senator was criticised for a speech of sympathy with the Boers. Mr. Mason severely criticised the British government, not the people, saying that not one-tenth of the English people favored the war in South Africa, and that 95 per cent of the people in this country sympathized with the Boers. He said it was not the first time that British diplomats interfered in American politics. He desired to have attention called to the matter before they could injure the present administration as they injured Cleveland.

Mr. Lodge said the gallant fight the Boers are making stirred the heart of every man.

Mr. Platt of Connecticut said he wished to enter a protest against the "abuse of free speech on the floor of the senate."

Mr. Pettigrew speaking on the resolution relating to contraband of war said the doctrine that belligerents might seize food stuffs over if it paid for them, would mean in case of war between our ... best customers, our trade with both would be destroyed.

Mr. Tillman made a spech on the Philippine question. It was a vigorous denunciation of the administration's Philippine policy. He denied that the blood of the soldiers in the Philipines was upon the heads of those who opposed imperialism. The president of the United States by negotiating a treaty of peace and "buying the Filipinos," and those senators who assisted in the ratification of the treaty, were responsible for the present war.

Mr. Tillman said the United States cannot govern any territory that does not belong to the United States and where our flag floats the constitution and the principle of the declaration of independence must be in force.

The resolution of Mr. Pettigrew of South Dakota declaring food products not to be contraband of war was referred to committee on foreign relations after a brief speech by Mr. Pettigrew.

Mr. Carter presented the conference report on the census administration bill and it was agrred to.

A joint resolution granting permission for the erection in Washington of a monument in the honor of Samuel Hahnemann was passed.

The senate then passed 23 pension bills, two other minor bills and after a brief executive session at 5 o'clock p. m. adjourned.

Washington, Jan. 29—The senate in executive session today decided by a vote of 21 to 38 not to reconsider the vote by which Samoan treaty ratified and then removed the injunction of secrecy from the vote. The vote in detail was as follows:

Yeas: Allen, Bacon, Bate, Berry, Butler, Chilton, Clark, (Montana) Clay, Daniel Heitfeld, Jones, (Ark.;) Kenney, Lindsay, McEnery, Martin, Money, Pettigrew, Rawlins, Taliaferro, Tillman and Turner. Total 21.

Nays—Aldrich, Allison, Baker, Beveridge, Carter, Chandler, Cullom, Davis, Fairbanks, Foraker, Frye, Gallinger, Hanna, Hansbrough, Hawley, Kean, Lodge, McBride, McComas, McMillan, Nelson, Penrose, Perkins, Platt, (Conn.) Pritchard, Proctor, Quarles' Ross, Scott, Sewell, Shoup, Stewart, Teller, Thurston, Warren, Wellington and Wetmore—38.

Before opening the doors Senator Davis chairman of the foreign relations committee replying to Senator Mason, said he would tomorrow ask the senate to take up The Hague peace treaty.

CLARK'S CASE

The Committee Resumes the Hearing of of Evidence.

Washington, Jan. 29—The senate committee on privileges and elections today heard a number of witnesses on the minor points involved in the charges against Senator Clark of Montana. The protestants took occasion during the day to withdraw all intimations against Hon. J. K. Toole, who withdrew from the Montana contest for United States senator under circumstances which protestants were at first inclined to consider suspiciously favorable to Clark. The prosecution also declined during the day to put two witnesses on the stand who had been summoned at their instance because the men had talked unsatisfactorily since arrival in Washington.

W. B. Delonty, banker of Townsend, Montana said: State Senator W. E. Turney owed the bank $10,000 prior to the meeting of the legislature. This has been paid off since then. C. H. Fortman, treasurer of Jefferson Club, Helena, identified a letter received from Senator Clark in which the latter had referred to his son C. W. Clark and Mr. Wellcome as his representatives in Helena, Montana.

GETS A BLACK EYE

The Weather Bill Sidetracked in the House.

Washington, Jan. 29.—A bill for the reorganization and improvement of the weather bureau, which includes a provision for pensioning disabled and aged employes of the service received a black eye in the house today. The bill was bitterly fought by the opponents of the civil pension rolls on account of the life tenure provisions it contained and was sidetracked on a test vote of 57 to 73. Although the speaker ruled that it remained unfinished business when the house is again in committee of the whole, the opponents of the measure believe the action today kills it. The early portion of the day was devoted to a lively scrimmage over the Sulzer resolution to investigate Secretary Gage which the committee on rules recommended should be sent to the ways and means committee, as the latter committee has the response of the secretary in its possession.

There was no opposition to the proposed action but Richardson of Tennessee, Sulzer of New York, used it as a test for renewing their attacks upon Secretary Gage, who was defended by Hopkins of Illinois, Hill of Connecticut, Dalzell of Pennsylvania. The bill to require pilots officers of steam vessels to make oath to their applications for licenses was passed.

FEAR UNITED STATES

Russia Don't Want Uncle Sam Dominating China.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 29.—The newspapers here are paying considerable attention to the events of China. The Novosti expresses the opinion the dynasty will last for a long time to come but adds that China will never be restored to her former condition; that the unavoidable work of partition will be accomplished peacefully though, perhaps, in the distant future."

"The Rossija asserts that it is not necessary for Russia to take a hand in the Coup d'Etat and adds:

"A Russo-Japanese alliance is inevitable. It is only a question of time. Meanwhile it is important that control of the naval and military forces in China does not fall into the hands of the Americans, British or Germans."

The paper concludes. "We must keep on the alert and see how the new situation affects the interests of western Europe, above all, those of England."

OUR ANTI-TRUST LAW

Is Decided By Judge Kohlsaat to be Unconstitutional.

Chicago, Jan. 29.—Judge Kohlsaat, of the federal court, rendered a decision declaring the Illinois anti-trust law unconstitutional.

The opinion deals with the act of the Illinois legislature of 1893 and is based on the ground that the statute contains both class and special legislation and is in contravention of the federal and state constitutions.

Opinions differ widely as to whether the decision leaves the state without an anti-trust law. It is held by some lawyers the act of 1893 did not supercede that of 1891 and that the later statute is still in force. However, that may be, the opinion is regarded as an extremely important one, because the clause of the law of '93 exempting farmers and stock-raisers from its provisions, affected nearly three-fourths of the people of the state.

Bubonic Plague at Rosario.

Washington, Jan. 29—The secretary of the navy received the following cablegram today from Admiral Schley commanding the South Atlantic squadron: "Puerto Ensonado, Jan. 28—The bubonic plague is officially reported to be epidemic at Rosario at a distance of 190 miles. The squadron sails for Montevideo."

Postmasters Confimed.

Washington, Jan. 29—Confirmations, postmasters: Illinois—L. W. Parkinson, Stockton; W. A. McKnight, Alexis; H. J. Cheeseman Princeville; A. J. Boger, Nauvoo.

NEW ASSOCIATION

Will Be Organized at Philadelphia to Fight League.

BASE BALL MEN GATHER

Plenty of Cities Want to Get Into the New Organization.

ANSON REPRESENTS CHICAGO

Promoters Don't Expect to Ask Protection of the Older Body.

Philadelphia, Jan. 29.—Baseball men from various sections of the country who are interested in the new American association which is to meet here tomorrow for the purpose of organizing began to arrive today including H. D. Quinn, president of the association; C. S. Havener and Joseph D. O'Brien, of Milwaukee; Adrian C. Anson of Chicago; A. G. Hueckel of St. Louis; Thomas McCarthy and J. H. Drewson of Boston; Conway W. Sams, John McGraw of Baltimore.

Detroit is represented at the meeting by proxy.

It is thought there will be considerable difficulty encountered in making up the circuit, the association having more than enough applications for admission to complete the organization.

When President Quinn was seen tonight regarding a despatch from Washington which stated that President Young of the national league had received an application for protection and membership under the national agreement for the American association from various clubs, he emphatically denied any such applications had been made. Quinn said such thing would be ridiculous as the new association was fully able to take care of itself and does not intend to ask favors of the national league.

MADE IT SHORT

McGovern Finishes an Ambitious Boxer in Two Minutes.

Baltimore, Jan. 29—Terry McGovern knocked out Jack Ward of Newark before the Eureka club tonight in two minutes and five seconds. The men were to have boxed 20 rounds.

They went at it hammer and tongs from the start. Ward landed a right and left on the jaw without a counter. In a clinch Mag sent his right to the kidneys and a moment later a left on the stomach and then a right on the tip of the jaw put Ward to sleep.

New York, Jan. 29—Matty Matthews knocked out Kid McPartland in the first round tonight at the Hercules Athletic club, Brooklyn.

Denver, Jan. 29—"Kid" Parker of Denver, knocked out "Kid" Boyle of Chicago. in the fifth round before the Colorado athletic association.

Buffalo, Jan. 29—Before the Olympic athletic club tonight, Eddie Connolly of St. John's, N. B., and Jack Daly of Wilmington fought 20 round to a draw.

GAGE ANSWERS AGAIN

Defends His Action Regarding New York Banks.

Washington, Jan. 29—Secretary Gage sent to the senate a reply to the resolution of January 25, calling for further information as to his dealings with the Nationa City and other New York banks. The secretary says all the information asked is contained in his reply of Jan. 10, but he proceeds to answer the questions propounded, seriatim. In effect his replies are to the effect that there are no communications, understandings or agreements between the treasury and banks mentioned other than those contained in his former communication. He sums up the motives actuating his administration of the department as follows:

"I may add the sole purpose which animated the secretary in these connections was to so use the banks as a secure place preserve and keep the public money without risk or hazard of loss in such form, within the limitations and requirements of law as would best conduce to the preservation, protection and general interests of the people."

All Violate the Law.

Des Moines, Ia., Jan. 29—According to a decision of the supreme court rendered today, every saloon in the city is running in violation of law. The court holds that the petition of consent filed in 1894 did not contain the names of the required 60 per cent of the voters. The saloonkeepers will apply for a stay of the operation of the decision till another petition can be secured.

THE WEATHER FORECAST

Washington, Jan. 29.—The signal service prediction for Illinois is as follows: Tuesday fair and much colder in central and northern portions; Wednesday fair.

LOCAL WEATHER RECORD.

The following is the record of the temperature in Decatur for the twenty-four hours ending last night, as reported by Prof. J. H. Coonradt, United States observer at this point:

7:00 a. m.	...01	Highest	22
Noon	...21	Lowest	6
7:00 p. m.	[illegible]	Precip.	[illegible]

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REV. HANEY DEAD

Nestor of Illinois Methodism Passes Away At His Home In Galesburg.

PUT UNDER HEAVY BONDS

Sheriff Downey Must Answer to the Montgomery Grand Jury For Shooting Furlong.

MANY COUNTY CONVENTIONS CALLED

Galesburg, Jan. 28.—The Rev. Richard Haney, of Galva, Ill., one of the founders of Northwestern University, and the oldest Methodist preacher in active service in the world, died Saturday at the home of E. B. Main, Altona, Ill., where he was to have preached tomorrow.

Mr. Haney was 88 years old. He was born in Washington county, Pa., in 1812, the son of Rev. James Haney. He was educated at Norfolk University, O., entering the ministry at the age of 22. From Ohio he came to Illinois in 1836, and since then he has been identified with the Illinois conference. From 1848 to 1850 he was pastor of the First Methodist church, Chicago, and was chairman of the meeting that formulated the plan of establishing Northwestern University, of which he has been a member of the board of trustees since the start.

In 1850 he was sent to the Central Illinois conference, which has been the scene of his work for 44 years. For 25 years he was presiding elder, and in 1860, 1864 and 1868 he was delegated to the general conference. He has served as pastor at Bushnell, Peoria, Rock Island, Keithsburg, Hermon, Orion, Cameron and Altona, the last place being his last regular charge in 1891. Since then he has been the conference evangelist. For thirteen months during the rebellion he was chaplain of the 16th Illinois regiment. He was department chaplain of the Illinois Grand Army from May, 1898, to May, 1899.

Mr. Haney married Adaline Murphy, in Quincy in 1838. She died in 1865 and he married Mrs. Ivory Quinby, of Monmouth, who survives him. The surviving children are Mrs. James H. Haney, Galva; Mrs. Geo. R. Palmer, Onargo; Mrs. Emily Baker, Dwight; Mrs. Mary L. Koon, Onargo; Mrs. Lucila Robbins, West Grosdale; Charles F. Haney, Galena, Kan., and Miss Elizabeth Haney, Onargo.

COUNTY CONVENTIONS

Called By Many of the Republican Committees in Different Parts of the State.

Vienna, Jan. 28.—The republicans have called a primary election for Saturday, March 24, for the purpose of nominating county officers. A mass convention will be held on March 26 when delegates to the state convention will be selected. The question of instructing delegates was voted down.

Carlinville, Jan. 28.—February 15 has been selected as the date for holding the convention to select state, congressional and legislative delegates. Another convention will be held later to select the county candidates.

Lawrenceville Jan. 28.—The county convention to name county candidates will be held on March 17. On March 19 a convention will be held to select the state, congressional and legislative delegates.

Benton, Jan. 28.—April 3 has been selected as the date for the primary election to select state, congressional and legislative delegates and to name county candidates. A mass convention will be held April 4 to select state delegates.

DOWNEY'S PRELIMINARY

Bound Over to the Grand Jury in the Sum Of $10,000.

Taylorville, Jan. 28.—The preliminary hearing of Thomas J. Downey was held Saturday before Justice Richardson at Litchfield resulted in Downey being bound over to the April term of the Montgomery county grand jury in the sum of $10,000. The state produced six witnesses, the most damaging being the evidence of Mrs. Edwards, wife of the old hackman, who lives near the depot.

Mrs. Edwards' testimony: I was getting supper; heard a shot, and ran out; saw Sherif Downey, revolver in hand; laid my hand on Downey's shoulder and asked him why he shot the man; Downey put the revolver in his pocket, turned and walked away without giving an answer. Positively identified Downey.

The doctor who is attending Furlong testified that his condition was critical. In the case of Granger, the Wabash detective, no action was taken today.

HUNTER ENDORSED

Edgar County Delegates Instructed For Him—Conventions Called.

Paris, Jan. 28.—The Edgar county democratic convention for the selection of delegates to the state, senatorial and congressional conventions was held here Saturday. A. J. Hunter made an address and announced himself as a candidate for congress. The congressional delegates were instructed for him.

Greenup, Jan. 28.—A meeting of the Cumberland county democratic central committee has called a mass convention to be held at Toledo on March 12, to select delegates to state, congressional and senatorial conventions. The convention to nominate a county ticket will be called later.

Killed a Safe Blower.

Quincy, Jan. 28.—Detective Koch shot and killed one of a pair of suspected safe blowers at 10 o'clock tonight. The officer had been shadowing them all day, and tonight he accosted one and attempted to question him. The fellow pulled a pistol and Koch killed him. His companion escaped. They registered at the Moecker hotel from Kansas City, and gave the names of H. F. Crowley and O. H. Rogers. Crowley is the one killed.

In their room at the hotel was found a complete burglar outfit.

Buys in Leland Property.

Springfield, Jan. 28.—At a sale of the property belonging to the estate of the late Warren F. Leland of New York, held by Master-in-Chancery Whitley Saturday afternoon, N. B. Wiggins purchased the interest of Mr. Leland's heirs in the Leland hotel, Leland farm, southwest of Springfield, and some residence property here, paying $80,000.

Death of a Dwarf.

McLeansboro, Ill., Jan. 28.—William McNabb, one of the smallest men in Illinois, died here Saturday of pneumonia, aged 49 years. He was 38 inches tall and weighed 75 pounds. He was born and raised in this county.

Joseph F. Alvord Dead.

Hennepin, Jan. 28.—Joseph F. Alvord, one of the oldest settlers of Piatt county, is dead at the age of 88 years.

THE END OF THE CENTURY

How the New York Journal Illustrates the Problem.

New York Journal, December 27: The twentieth century begins at midnight of December 31, 1900; that is to say at the beginning of the first day of 1901.

The twentieth century does not begin on the first day of 1900. In other words, the nineteenth century is not finished until the end of the year 1900.

We have tried in vain to make this fact clear to some of our huge army of intelligent readers. We will try again and for the last time.

You admit that you have not finished the nineteenth century until you have finished nineteen hundred years.

Now, then, instead of nineteenth centuries, let us take nineteen dollars each dollar consisting of 100 cents as each century consists of 100 years. Suppose a man owed you nineteen dollars and paid you a cent at a time. When would you consider the payment complete? When would you have your nineteen dollars in your pocket?

When he had paid you 1900 cents you would not have your nineteen dollars. But when he had paid you nineteen hundred cents you would have your nineteen dollars, and your twentieth dollar would begin with the payment of the next cent.

Similarly, when Father Time has paid us eighteen hundred and ninety-nine years he has not paid us nineteen centuries. He must give us one more year, namely, the nineteenth hundredth year to make the nineteen centuries complete. After he shall have given us that year he will begin to pay us the twentieth century and the first year of that century will be nineteen hundred and one, just as the first cent of the twentieth dollar is the nineteen hundred and first cent. The nineteen hundredth cent is only the last cent of the nineteen dollars and the nineteen hundredth year is only the last year of the nineteenth century.

For the love of Heaven, get this in your heads and keep it there. And whatever you do, don't write us any more letters sagely proving that the nineteenth century ends and the twentieth century begins when we have only lived through eighteen hundred and ninety-nine years. The nineteenth century will end when we have lived through nineteen hundred years, namely, on the last day of December, 1900.

If this does not convince you, come to the Journal office with $1900. We will gladly give you $1899 in change. If you accept that we will believe that the nineteenth century ends at the end of 1899. If you don't accept $1899 in change for your $1900, then you don't think that the nineteenth century ends until the end of 1900.

If you are not prepared to make this $1900 test don't let us hear from you.

THE LEAST RESISTANCE

Idea Does Not Meet Encouragement Among Teachers.

At the regular meeting of the city teachers at the high school building on Saturday an adress was delivered by Professor Shyrock of Carbondale, who spoke on the subject, "Shall we educate along the lines of least resistance?" The speaker was decidedly opposed to the idea. He did not believe that it was best for the child to make his study easy for him, to let him study only such things as he desired, or for the teacher to put the lesson in such shape that it could be learned by the pupil without effort. The speaker did not believe that the lessons should be prepared for the pupils in homeopathic doses, that it should be masticated for them and given to them only in pleasant doses. He argued that the teacher had a right to impose his mind upon the mind of the pupil, otherwise the child could not become a manly man. He was convinced that it was better for the child to overcome difficulties and that by so doing they would become strong. He cited several incidents of the effects of this "easy study." In conclusion the speaker said that he was not defending the old method of education, that he believed that the new method was superior but that he would put such difficulties before his pupils as they could surmount by hard work and that by surmounting them they would be all the better for it.

The teachers who listened to the address were heartily in sympathy with the speaker and he was frequently applauded. His address was one of the best that the teachers have listened to this year.

During the meeting Miss Mary Osborn gave a piano solo and Miss Leish Hardy a vocal solo.

Miss Flora Smith gave a paper on conservative work which she had read before the meeting of the state teachers association and Superintendent Gastman supplemented the paper with a few remarks.

Twelve seventh grade pupils under the direction of Mrs. Tyler gave an Amazon drill.

GONE WEST.

A letter received from Macon on Saturday stated that Edna Horsman, the chief witness in the case against James Griffin, had gone west to California. Griffin and the girl were married at Clinton on last Thursday. The departure of the girl is supposed to have been for the purpose of avoiding an appearance on the witness stand.

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GETS OFF LIGHTLY

Cecil Chamberlain Fined Ten Dollars And Costs.

Cecil Chamberlain, who wrote a threatening letter to Harry L. Oldham has already paid the penalty of his folly. The matter was presented to the grand jury Friday and an indictment was at once returned. Saturday the young man was arraigned before Judge Vail and entered a plea of guilty to the charge of attempting to extort money by threats. At first Judge Vail said that he should be fined $25 and costs. Attorney John C. Lee representing the complaining witness asked the court to be lenient with the boy and the court said the fine should be $10 and costs. He asked the boy what he meant by doing such a thing and the lad could give no excuse saying that he had nothing against Mr. Oldham and could not explain why he had written the letter. When arrested he was thought to be indifferent to the results but when brought into court he had taken a different view of the situation and broke down and wept bitterly. Judge Vail gave him some whole some advice when the fine was assessed. When it was all over the youngster apologized to Oldham. The fine and costs were paid and the young man was given his liberty.

The docket orders entered follow:

LAW.

John Boland vs. The Decatur Cereal Mill Co.; trespass. Leave to file additional count.

Rodney Adkins vs. Joseph R. Davison et al., assumpsit. Damages assessed by court at $170.72. Judgment for same and costs, execution, etc.

CHANCERY.

Michael Rogers et al. vs. Ellen Rogers et al.; partition. Rule on defendant, etc. Answer intervening petition by second Monday of February.

Arthur T. Evans vs. Frank Bundy; injunction. Referred for proof and conclusion.

Thomas J. Scroggins vs. W. L. Whitley et al.; injunction. Motion to dissolve injunction on bill and answer.

PEOPLE'S.

Cecil A. Chamberlain; attempting to extort money by threats. Defendant arraigned and pleads guilty. Judgment that defendant be fined $10 and costs and stand committed until paid.

You Can't Guess...

In these days of scheming and planning and plotting for trade one cannot be too careful in expending money for goods. Competition is such that many pretty good men do little things that are not quite up to the Golden Rule. Some of the shoes on the market bear all the outward marks of goodness. They are shaped nicely and finished beautifully, and they're high enough in price to make them good. But back of these good looks there may be concealed many a slight that saves money to the maker, but robs you of what you expect in the shoes. Of course there is no way for you to tell when the shoe is right or when it is wrong, and you cannot afford to guess. Best way is to buy at a store like this, where your money is returned without a wrangle when the shoes do not prove to be what they were represented.

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Men's Warm Shoes, with heavy soles, made expressly for teamsters and farmers, $3.00 value, at **$2.50**

Boys' Felt Boots, value $2.00, at **$1.65**

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The drift of the story is as follows: Thursday forenoon H. L. Oldham received a letter demanding $25 by 9 o'clock that night to save himself trouble. He at once informed Chief of Police Applegate and preparations were made to catch the letter writer. The letter has already been sent to the grand jury and for that reason its exact contents cannot be given. It was to this effect. That the writer had been hired to watch the actions of H. L. Oldham and that the latter had been under surveillance for a week, and his every act known but not yet reported. The letter further stated that unless the sum of $25 was, before 9 a. m. on Thursday, placed beneath the big rock at the northwest corner of West William and College streets, Oldham would have his head punched as well as being compelled to go behind the bars. The signature to this was "A Stranger."

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Under the statutes the penalty for the offense is a fine of not more than $1000 and imprisonment not to exceed six months, in the county jail, or both. The accused is, however, further liable to the federal authorities for using the mails for the purpose of extorting money.

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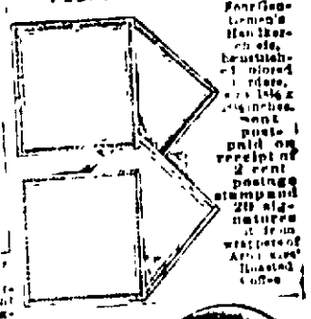

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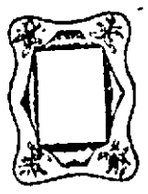

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Cerro Gordo's city officials have just been notified by the Monticello board of health that Monticello is quarantined against Cerro Gordo on account of scarlet fever and diphtheria. Cerro Gordo is taking the matter in the very best humor as this will assist in keeping her people away from the smallpox that Monticello is having so severe a tussle with. This step is of course nothing but a little piece of by-play on Monticello's part to retaliate for the smallpox quarantine that has been declared here against her citizens. But under the existing conditions it will cause no more inconvenience there than do the quarantine rules that were in force, as they prohibited a man from going from there to Monticello and returning.

The fact of the case is there has not been a case of scarlet fever in that city for the past three months. There is but one case of diphtheria in town or in that vicinity at present, and that patient is rapidly recovering. There was one death in this family from the disease but such precautions have been taken that there is no fear of the disease extending outside of the one family.

The good natured comment of most of the Cerro Gordo people is that Monticello wanted to do something, and did not know what else to do. And the matter is passed by with a laugh.

COMBINATION SALE

Stock Offered by Bill & Co. Brings Some Good Prices.

The Bill combination sale which was held at the Gott barn on Franklin street yesterday was a largely attended and very successful affair. Although the list of stock and articles sold was not as large as had been expected on account of the failure of a large consignment of test stock to arrive there was a big lot of good stock and other articles listed. Tobe Ward officiated as auctioneer at the sale and the bidding at times was quite brisk. The sale opened at 10 o'clock and before dinner all the vehicles had been disposed of. In the afternoon the batch of horses and cattle were sold. While the prices were not all high some of the stock brought prices that were entirely satisfactory to the owners as well as the managers of the sale.

One big team of heavy draft horses owned by Boring Burrows was sold to Eli Vlary for $295. This was an elegant pair of horses and showed that the sale is becoming recognized and appreciated by the owners of stock. W. H. Carroll bought a fine pair of mules for $150. A fine appearing and well bred sorrel gelding went to W. H. Chenoweth for $100. T. B. Wilson got a stylish black mare for $125 and Frank Ralston took a fine animal for $77.

Marion Moore got a good mare for $96 and J. Veach came next, taking a bay horse for $92.

Cows sold from $38 to $10 and bidding on them was quite brisk.

MONTICELLO EDITORS

Dr. Johnson Claims They Have Damaged His Reputation.

Dr. C. B. Johnson, president of the state board of health told a number of people while in Decatur that he was going to enter suit for damages against two of the Monticello papers whose editors had slandered him in the smallpox matter. He will sue each for $10,000.

Law Suit at Dalton.

The suit of Eli Adams against Mrs. Allison Peck which was tried in the justice of the peace courts at Dalton City on Thursday was decided in favor of the defendant. Mr. Adams sued Mrs. Peck for $100 damages for not turning over to him a farm on which she resided, together with 100 acres of corn stock pasture and 50 tons of straw. Mrs. Peck had leased the farm for this year and sold her lease to Adams for $50, the agreement being that she was to remain on the farm until March 1 and retain the pasture and straw. She offered to sell her lease for $100 and give complete possession at the time but he agreed to take it at $50 and allow the privilege referred to. The jury decided in her favor. J. M. Gray of this city was Mr. Peck's attorney.

The Visiting Doctors.

Quite a number of the physicians from out of the city who attended the meeting of the Macon County Medical society on Thursday evening remained in the city until yesterday. Those who were here were Dr. C. B. Johnson of Champaign, president of the state board of health; Dr. F. A. Wilkinson, Mont'cello; Dr. Mantelson, Monticello; Drs. Edmiston, Clinton; Dr. J. W. Champion, Mansfield; Dr. N. N. Vance, Bement; Dr. B. F. McMennamy, Bethany; Dr. S. R. May, Mt. Zion; Dr. W. T. Bridges, Stonington; Dr. O. W. Coe, Stonington; Dr. W. K. Homer, Lovington; Dr. G. S. Edmondson, Maton; Dr. W. S. Melton, Warrensburg; Dr. J. A. Connolly, Harristown; Dr. O. F. Childs, Ivesdale, and Dr. Platz.

His Wife Saved Him.

My wife's good advice saved my life, writes F. M. Ross of Winnfield, Tenn., for I had such a bad cough I could hardly breathe. I steadily grew worse under doctor's treatment but my wife urged me to use Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, which completely cured me." Coughs, colds, bronchitis, la grippe, pneumonia, asthma, hay fever and all maladies of chest, throat and lungs are positively cured by this marvelous medicine. 50c and $1. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles ten cents at C. F. Shilling and J. E. King's drug store.

For Riot.

Last night Deputy Sheriff Wilson brought to jail Allen Travis, who is charged with riot. Travis was one of the men who attended the dance at Casner the night that young Robinson shot Roby. Lee Slough and Will Deford both of Casner were also arrested yesterday by Deputy Wilson. Slough had been indicted for carrying concealed weapons and for riot and Deford for carrying concealed weapons. They gave bonds as soon as arrested.

ENTER A PROTEST

Germany Objects to Customs Regulations As Applied to Her Merchandise.

COMPLAINT SENT TO HOUSE

Secretary Gage Points Out That the Regulations Don't Discriminate.

PAY TRIBUTES TO HOBART

The More Important Events of the Day at National Capital.

Washington, Jan. 29—Secretary Hay sent to the house copies of the complaints of Germany against our customs regulations as applied to German merchandise.

These complaints as summarized by Secretary Hay are as follows:

First, that the regulations governing the authentications of invoices by consular officers of the United States, confer upon that government the power of obtaining from shippers such information as might be used to the detriment of German trade, if disclosed to American competitors and that, in any event, details which may be inquired into by a consul constitute a hindrance to the speedy transaction of business and of molestation.

Second, that in American ports of arrival consular certificates are merely examined with regard to their form, while the market value of goods is finally decided by the American custom appraisers without regard to invoice statement.

Third, owing to the mode of procedure of appraisers, it is hardly possible to prove the correctness of the declarations in the invoice, because their decisions are rendered on the strength of the assertions the facts of which never come to knowledge of exporters.

Secretary of Treasury Gage, in a letter reviewing the ambassadors complaints, states that existing consular and customs regulations cannot be modified without departure from the law of 1890, that such regulations "Are equally applicable to shipments from any foreign country and do not discriminate against or in favor of any particular foreign market."

Ambassador Von Holleben's letter specifies that the system is highly calculated to injure the German export trade and in some cases lead to the entire disclosure of the conditions of production and business secrets in German industry.

In conclusion he asks Secretary Hay "To give to the complaints of my government the kind consideration demanded by friendly relations existing between the two countries."

HONOR HOBART'S MEMORY

Members of the House Pay Eloquent Tribute to His Life.

Washington, Jan. 29—The greater portion of the session of the house today was devoted to eulogies upon the life and public services of the late Vice President Hobart. The tributes paid to his memory was not the usual perfunctory eulogies but breathed the love, admiration and respect in which he was universally held. Those who spoke were Messrs. Gardner, Stewart, Parker, Fowler, Loudenslager, Salmon, Daly, of New Jersey, Payne of New York, Dalzell and Brosius of Pennsylvania, Richardson of Tennessee, Grosvenor of Ohio, Dolliver, and Cousins of Iowa, Swanson of Virginia, Griggs of Georgia.

Dolliver, of Iowa, delivered an eloquent tribute concluding as follows: "Grateful to his countrymen for the honor given him, he set himself to deliver the office of vice president from the cheap, petulant influences that have always beset it. How well he succeeded all men know. It's not too much to say that had he lived, he would have drawn to himself such a measure of popular enthusiasm that his countrymen would have invited him to step from the second chariot in to the first."

At 4:30 p. m. as a further mark of respect the house adjourned.

Before the eulogies began the conference report on the census bill was adopted and an attempt was made to pass the bill to pay the cost of repairing the Manila cable which Dewey cut just prior to his great victory. Opposition developed, however, and it went over.

CHRISTMAS AT LADYSMITH

Supplies Auctioned, Whiskey Ruling the Highest.

London, Jan. 29.—A despatch to the Standard from Ladysmith dated Dec. 26 describing the Christmas celebration says: "Only a few were fortunate enough to get turkeys or geese. The majority had to be content with hard beef or dwarfed underbred oxen or coarse goat flesh.

"On Saturday there was a provision auction. Potatoes brought at the rate of a shilling each, eggs averaged ten pence each, carrots seven pence each, ducks half a guinea each; cigarettes 42 pence per three penny panckage and whiskey from five to seven pounds a bottle. Everybody, however, was able to indulge in Christmas pudding, as the commissariat kindly issued necessary ingredients for the occasion."

Old People Made Young.

J. C. Sherman, the veteran editor of the Vermontville, (Mich.) Echo, has discovered the remarkable secret of keeping old people young. For years he has avoided nervousness, sleeplessness, indigestion, heart trouble, constipation and rheumatism, by using Electric Bitters, and he writes: "It can't be praised too highly. It gently stimulates the kidneys, tones the stomach, aids digestion, and gives a splendid appetite. It has worked wonders for my wife and me. It's a marvellous remedy for old people's complaints." Only 50c at C. F. Shilling and J. E. King's drug store.

THE DEATH RECORD

HAFFEY.

P. B. Haffey, one of the old settlers of Macon county, died Friday morning, Jan. 26, at 5 o'clock at his home, 248 East Leafland avenue, aged 78 years.

During the corn carnival Mr. Haffey fell and was injured. He was too old to recover and has ever since been confined to his bed.

He is survived by a wife and ten children. They are Mrs. Margaret Neston, Mrs. J. H. Johnson, Mrs. Charles Giblin and John, Julia Agnes, Elizabeth, James, Edward and William Haffey, all of Decatur.

Mr. Haffey was born in Ireland and came to this country in early life. For 15 years he was a tailor. He came to Decatur 38 years ago. For many years he was a travelling salesman. He traveled extensively in the state and enjoyed a wide acquaintance.

He was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic church and was the oldest member of the Ancient Order of Hibernians of this city.

The funeral will be held Sunday from St. Patrick's church at 8:30 o'clock. The Hibernians will attend the services in a body.

MISS ROGAS.

Miss Florence Rogas died at St. Mary's hospital at 7 o'clock Friday morning. The young lady was brought here from Kenney to have an operation performed and did not survive the shock. The remains were taken to the Wikoff & Moran undertaking establishment and prepared for burial. Today they will be taken to the home of the deceased at Kenney.

DEAD FROM MANILA

List of Those Who Died in Action and From Disease.

San Francisco, Jan. 29—Among the bodies of 159 dead that arrived on the transport Peking from Manila which have been removed to Presidio to await orders are the following:

First South Dakota—First lieutenant and regimental Adjutant Jonona Lien, killed in action; Company D, private Asuki Eidsnes, Fred D. Greenlit; Company F, Second Lieut. Sydney F. Morrison, killed in action; Company E, musician Irving J. Willett, Musician J. Berg; Co. G, Private Jay A. Smith; Co. H, First Lieut. Frank H. Adams, killed in action Private Orris J. McCracken, killed in action; Co. I, Privates James E. Link Fred E. Green, William G. Lowes; Co. K, Privates James M. Clark, John J. Mahoney; Co. M, Z. Grant, William B. Smith.

First Nebraska—Co. A, Private Frank S. Glover, Geo. F. Hanson, Elmer B. Wompler; Co. C, Frank K. Knouse Earl W. Osterhouse; Co. E, Ira E. Griffin; Co. F, Arthur C. Sims, Horace L. Faulkner, William R. Philpnt; Co. G, Walter K. Hagon; Co. H, Albert Burd; Co. I, Alfred J. E. Ervin, J. Rogler; Co. K, Lester E. Elsoon, Private Theodore H. Soresodon, Private Fred Taylor, R. W. Keele Charles O. Bollinger; four died in action.

There were three unknown among the dead.

Thirty-eight were killed, four were drowned and 107 died of heart disease.

REPORT FROM WHITE

Describes the Early Fighting Around Glencoe and Dundee.

London, Jan. 29—The Gazette today publishes a number of despatches from Gen. Buller to the war office, enclosing reports from Generals White and Hildyard, Methuen and other generals regarding their various operations but containing nothing later than a record of occurrence to the middle of December.

A despatch from Gen. White dated Dec. 2, says: "I was so greatly impressed with the exposed position of the garrison of Glencoe that I determined October 11 to withdraw from there and concentrate all troops at Ladysmith. But the governor represented that this step would involve such grave political results that I determined to accept the military risks of holding Dundee as the lesser of two evils. Gen. White then proceeds to describe the subsequent attack by 4000 Boers, of whom about 500 were killed and wounded, three of their guns being left dismounted at Lalana Hill, but, he adds there was no opportunity for bringing them off. He also described how the Boers were seen streaming away in bodies of 50 to 100

Had No Money.

When arrested Thursday night M. D. Chambers protested that he had done nothing more than make a mistake in the name of his bank at Buffalo and that he had money in the Union bank. Yesterday a message by wire was sent to the bank in question and the answer was that Chambers had no account there. The Springfield friend to whom Chambers appealed on Thursday night, yesterday replied that he could not produce to cover such capers as those indulged in by Chambers.

Col. Rood's Appointment.

Des Moines, Jan. 29—Governor Shaw sent to the senate the name of Col. H. H. Rood, Mt. Vernon to fill the vacancy on the state board of control. Considerable opposition was manifested toward confirmation and in executive session action was postponed.

How Could a Favorite Lose?

New York, Jan. 29.—At the Broadway Athletic club tonight Mysterious Billy Smith, of this city, knocked out Frank McConnell of San Francisco, with a right hook on the jaw in the 22nd round. McConnell was the favorite in the betting at odds of 100 to 70.

One Girl Missing.

Philadelphia, Jan. 29—The Angora manufacturing company's plant was destroyed by fire tonight. Lizzie Blackburn aged 17, is missing. The body is believed to be in the ruins. Many women and girls were injured by jumping. The loss is $150,000 partly insured.

Kentucky Shooting Match.

Princeton, Ky., Jan. 29—On account of an old grudge R. R. Pikering, ex-sheriff and Edward N. Daniel, a merchant emptied their weapons at each other today. Daniel's wounds are not dangerous and Pickering is dying.

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500 pairs of $1.75 men's Satin Calf Shoes, Between Seasons' Sale.....$1.48
One lot of $3.00 Youth's Patent Calf Shoes, Between Seasons' Sale.....$1.25
$3.00 Ladies' Welt Shoes, C, D, and E, Between Seasons' Sale.....$1.98
$3.00 Ladies' Welt Shoes, C, D, and E, new toes, Between Seasons' Sale.....$2.48
$1.75 Ladies' Dong, Kid Shoes, Between Seasons' Sale.....$1.48
One lot of $3.00 Ladies' Dong, Kid Shoes, Between Seasons' Sale.....98c
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Count Boni de Castellane says he will slap the face of the nasty, hateful M. de Rodays when he gets back to Paris. Now think of that. It's dollars to doughnuts Boni wears corsets and is armed with a broom.

Carnegie has announced that he will not contribute a cent to either the democratic or republican campaign fund. Perhaps he has contributed too much to the Aguinaldo campaign to feel able to do anything for his own country.

The senate committee is reported to favor the colonial system for our new possessions instead of the territorial system which has been applied to our territories at home. There is no reason why a colonial system could not be devised that would be preferable in many ways to the territorial system.

If a woman (of the town is arrested and brought before the police court will Rev. Mr. Sheldon say in his paper: "Let him who is without sin cast the first stone" and will he insist that she should be permitted to go in peace? That is one thing he will not as an editor dispose of as Christ would.

MERCIER'S ELECTION.

There is alarm in France over the recent success of the nationalists at the polls. Both Gen. Mercier and Gen. Lambert have been elected to the senate in spite of the fact that there is not lacking plenty of evidence of the disloyalty of both of the republics. A correspondent cables from Paris that "there is consternation among republicans as the result of important gains by the nationalists. Even M. Freycinet was re-elected notwithstanding his action in the Dreyfus case as was also M. Dupuy." Mercier's election has enraged his opponents and brought forth the most bitter denunciations in the various government departments.

PEACE OF EUROPE.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: The peace of Europe is not endangered. The world's fair in Paris and the industrial distress in Russia will tie the hands, for the present year at least, of the only countries in Europe which have been suspected of any desire to make trouble at the present time. The Paris fair opens in a few months, and the business distress in Russia, which is veiled at the present time by the general placidity of politics, would break out in a dangerous form if a war between Russia and any other great country should be threatened. So far as can be foreseen, the kaiser is as desirous as President McKinley to see the peace of the world maintained, and as England is certainly anxious to avert all further complications, the chances are that the area of the present disturbances in South Africa is not going to be broadened, at least this year.

BULLER RETREATS.

Gen. Buller has failed utterly in his flank movement intended to turn the Boer position in front of Colenso. He failed because after crossing the Tugela he did not diligently push the advantage he had and by his delay gave the Boers time to secure a position, crown it with men and artillery and make the position impregnable. His retreat to the south side of the Tugela is most humiliating, made all the more so on account of the lofty message issued to his men telling them they had the Boers in their power and no power would stop them from relieving their comrades at Ladysmith and warning them not to recognize a Boer white flag nor a bugle sound in their triumphant march. He told the truth when he said the Boers were in his power but a delay of 12 hours completely changed the situation and the other fellow had him. The retreat means the capture of Ladysmith with its garrison under White. It means that the first campaign has utterly collapsed all along the line. It means entirely new plans, in fact a new campaign or an armistice and a settlement of the contention. There is but one campaign which is at all feasible and that is to let all else, go concentrate the armies and all advance along the Mafeking or Bloemfontein lines which in either case means bloody battles and the loss of 10,000 to 20,000 men before Pretoria is reached and the Boer army capitulates. There is war, bloody war, ahead in South Africa.

"PROTECTION MUST GO."

The American Economist delivers the following beautiful and lively castigation to the New York Times which in a very silly manner assumed that the country is yearning for another disastrous dose of free trade:

"'They Lag Superfluous,' is the caption of an article in which a free trade writer on the editorial staff of the New York Times pays his respects to last week's annual meeting of the American Protective Tariff League. The Times man professes to be unable to understand why the league should persist in existing. He is firmly convinced that protection is doomed to extinction as an American fiscal policy; that 'President McKinley and the wisdom and most influential leaders of the republicans are feeling their way along toward free trade,' and 'are converting the republican organization into a low tariff party.'

"Having argued himself into this frame of mind the Cobdenite hot gospeller of the Times readily reaches the conclusion that

"They (the republican leaders) must abandon the prohibitive tariff policy or the manufacturers will abandon them. Protection has had its day, has outlived all the usefulness it ever had, and is now a hindrance to the expansion of the industries of the country. It must go.

"Why doesn't the American Protective Tariff League go? Its vocation is gone, its influence is shattered, it is pulling the wrong way. It has $1133.22 in its treasury. We advise the league to turn over this unexpended balance to the society for the Relief of the Aged and Destitute and then tranquilly disband.

"On the day that the free trade conviction of the New York Times were record as above quoted, there appeared in many newspapers of the United States, some of them free trade newspapers, Washington despatchs, date of Jan. 10, 1900, containing statements based upon figures just issued by the treasury bureau of statistics to the effect that in the year just closed the foreign commerce of the United States under the full operation of the Dingley tariff law—'a hindrance to the expansion of the industries of the country,' according to the Times—amounted to more than $2,000,000,000, and of this enormous sum more than three-fifths was exports and less than two-fifths imports. The exact figures are:

"Imports, $799,483,620; exports, $1,275,136,641; excess of exports over imports, $475,652,021. The excess of exports is larger than in any preceding year except 1898.

Of the exports, manufactures form a larger proportion than ever before, while of the imports raw materials for use of manufactures form a larger proportion than ever before.

"Of the exports more than 30 per cent are manufacturers, against 20 per cent in the fiscal year 1897, 23 per cent in 1898, 20 per cent in 1885, 16 per cent in 1870 and 12 per cent in 1860.

"Of the imports 38 per cent are articles in a crude condition which enter into the various processes of domestic industry against 26 per cent in 1895, 24 per cent in 1892, 23 per cent in 1889 and 20 per cent in 1885.

"Does this look as though protection is operating as 'a hindrance to the expansion of the industries of the country,' and therefore 'must go?'

"Does this look as though the leaders of the republican party would be compelled to abandon protection, or the manufacturers will abandon them?'

"Does this look as though the industrial captains of the United States were dissatisfied with the workings of protection and were anxious to see free trade take its place?

"Does this look as though the American Protective Tariff League had no further reason for existence and ought to disband forthwith?

"There are many manufacturers who would like to see protection displaced and free trade installed as the American policy; but they are not American manufacturers. The manufacturers who hanker for free trade are foreign manufacturers for the most part with here and there a 'manufacturer' of free trade sentiment like the New York Times."

IN TRAINING

Y. M. C. A. Athletes Preparing For the Terre Haute Meet.

The indoor athletic team of the Y. M. C. A. is in training for the event they are to engage in at Terre Haute on Feb. 10 when they go to that town to meet the team of that city in the trial contests of the state meeting of the athletes which is to be held in Chicago this winter. The events at Terre Haute will consist of dumb bell, parallel bars and the high jump. It is all team work and the points are to be recorded on the work of the team and not as individuals.

Mrs. R. Churchill, Berlin, Vt., says, "Our baby was covered with running sores. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cured her." A specific for piles and skin diseases. Beware of worthless counterfeits. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

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ART NEWELL HURT

Driver For Drobisch Bros. Struck By Passenger Train At Wood Street.

PERHAPS FATALLY INJURED

Wagon Wrecked and Newell Thrown One Hundred and Twenty Feet.

TWO BOYS' NARROW ESCAPE

A shocking accident occurred at the Wood street crossing of the Illinois Central railroad at 6:15 o'clock last night that may result in the death of Arthur Newell. The young man is the driver of the grocery wagon for the Drobisch grocery house on West Wood street and at the time of the accident was making an attempt to cross the tracks ahead of the incoming passenger train. The victim of the accident was removed to his home at the corner of Monroe and West Wood street and a physician called to attend him. It was thought at the time that he had been killed but he soon revived.

UNLOADED IN TIME.

The young man had been out on East Wood street delivering groceries and was returning from the trip. As he neared the crossing he evidently saw the approaching train for he made a desperate attempt to cross ahead of it. Two boys who were stealing a ride on the rear step of the wagon noticed the danger of the young man and jumped off the wagon in time from being struck. They unloaded just in time. The horse had just cleared the track when the train was upon the rig, striking the wagon just back of the front wheels. The crash of the collision was drowned in the roar of the train and the whistle of the engine and the spectators stood spellbound and helpless to assist as they saw the young man tossed into the air and thrown 120 feet north of the crossing and drop in a heap at the side of the track.

THOUGHT HE WAS DEAD.

Officer Thos. Richardson and Barney McKinley were standing close to the crossing at the time and noticed the approach of the train as well as the attempt of the young man to get across the track ahead of the train. As they saw his body tossed into the air they hurried to the spot where he had fallen expecting to find a corpse. The incoming train was on the east track north bound and the body fell across the rails of the west track and appeared to be lifeless. Officer Richardson sent in a telephone call to police headquarters to the effect that the man was dead and asking for the patrol wagon. By the time the wagon arrived the victim showed some signs of life and was removed to the home of his parents.

WAGON WAS WRECKED.

The horse had a miraculous escape from death. The wagon was torn from the horse and the animal was not hurt excepting a few minor scratches. The wagon will not be of much use as a delivery wagon any more. It was carried on the pilot of the engine for a distance of several hundred feet north of the crossing and did not roll off the pilot until the train came to a standstill near the coal shaft.

ENGINE WHISTLED.

The witnesses of the accident say that the train gave the usual crossing signal as it approached the crossing and attracted the attention of other people in the vicinity. Barney McKinley, who was close to the crossing awaiting the approach of the train heard the whistle. He says that he could not tell whether Newell heard the whistle or not. He paid no attention to it at least except to hurry his horse as though to get across the tracks ahead of the train. The wind was blowing a gale from the south and it was difficult to look in the direction of the approaching train, which was approaching the crossing at the usual speed.

PROBABLY PROVE FATAL.

Arthur Newell, the victim of the accident is aged 25 years and for the past eight years has been in the employ of the Drobisch grocery company. He is an unmarried man. When he was taken to his home last night Dr. Will Barnes was called to attend him and on examination found his injuries to be a most serious nature. The victim is terribly bruised but so far as could be learned not a bone was broken by the terrible blow, although he suffered internal injuries, the extent of which can not be told at the present time.

The young man was not so well at a late hour last night as when seen shortly after the accident and it was the opinion of the persons at the house that he could not live. Lou Dempsey was one of the boys on the rear step of the wagon at the time of the accident and he had a narrow escape as he says that he felt the wagon begin to rise from the ground just as he let loose.

Misjudged the Hole.

Harry Maning a driver for Drobisch's grocery on West Wood street on Monday morning attempted to crawl through a small opening in a fence back of the store and pulled the fence down on himself, one of the large boards falling and cutting an ugly looking gash in his forehead just above his left eye. Had the board struck a half inch lower it would have put his eye out. A physicians took several stitches in dressing the wound.

Diphtheria.

A case of diphtheria at the residence of Edward Dowling, at 528 North Mercer street, was reported to the board of health Monday.

t Again.

Judge W. Hammer who has been confined to his home for a week suffering with a heavy cold was able to be in the court room yesterday.

"I was nearly dead with dyspepsia, tried doctors, visited mineral springs and grew worse. I used Kodol Dyspepsia Cure. That cured me." It digests what you eat. Cures indigestion, sour stomach, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia. J. E. King, F. W. Swearingen, H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

LIVERITA, the up-to-date Little Liver Pill; 5c boxes contain 15 pills, 10c boxes contain 40 pills, 25c boxes contain 100 pills. Sold by John E. King and A. J. Blaine, Decatur, Ill.

Gov. Taylor of Kentucky gained a victory in the first test vote in legislature yesterday.

To Cure Constipation Forever. Take Cascarets Candy Cathartic. 10c or 25c. If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

By our German reporter: Der kaiser n birthday haben today already. He is of years 41 yet, now.

Beauty Is Blood Deep. Clean blood means a clean skin. No beauty without it. Cascarets, Candy Cathartic clean your blood and keep it clean, by stirring up the lazy liver and driving all impurities from the body. Begin to-day to banish pimples, boils, blotches, blackheads, and that sickly bilious complexion by taking Cascarets,—beauty for ten cents. All druggists, satisfaction guaranteed, 10c, 25c, 50c.

Word comes from Bangor, Me., of a farmer that found 11 econs in one tree. And how many chickens?

Whosoever has suffered from piles knows how painful and troublesome they are. Tabler's Buckeye Pile Ointment is guaranteed to cure piles. Price 50 cents in bottles. Tubes, 75 cents. King's drug store. Swearingen, Gebhart block.

Kate Claxton of "Two Orphans" fame has filed a petition in bankruptcy.

"One Minute Cough Cure is the best remedy I ever used for coughs and colds. It is unequalled for whooping cough. Children all like it," writes H. N. Williams, Centryville, Ind. Never fails. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, hoarseness, croup, pneumonia bronchitis and all throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

It took Chicago about ten years to open the drainage canal incident, and it looks as if it would take St. Louis as many years to close it.

Many of the blotches, pimples and other affections of the skin are caused by the failure of the liver and kidneys to cast off impurities, which remain in the system. Herbine will stimulate the liver and kidneys and cleanse the system of all impurities. Price, 50 cents. King's Drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

The British have 113,868 men, 19,784 horses, 85 machine guns, and 42 field guns in South Africa. Re-onforcements to the number of 17,309 are at sea.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, cleanse the liver, invigorates the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

The fire in the Mason building last night caused a loss estimated at $50,000.

Many a bright and happy household has been thrown into sadness and sorrow because of the death of a loved one from a neglected cold. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is the great cure for coughs, colds and all pulmonary ailments. Price, 25 and 50 cents. King's drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

City council license committee will investigate a report that nearly 200 saloonkeepers either fail to display their saloon licenses or sell liquor without.

Herbine should be used to enrich and purify the blood; it cures all forms of blood disorders, is especially useful in fevers, skin eruptions, boils pimples, blackheads, scrofula, salt rheum and every form of blood impurity; it is a safe and effectual cure. Price 50 cents. King's drug store, Swearingen, Gebhart block.

No one would imagine while reading the tactical tales of the newspaper strategists that six months ago they didn't know a kop from a laager.

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In St. Joseph, Mo., there is offered a bounty of $600 for every highwayman that is killed.

The fragile babe and the growing child are strengthened by White's Cream Vermifuge. It destroys worms, gets digestion at work and so rebuilds the body. Price 25 cents. King's drug store. Swearingen, Gebhart block.

A Maryland hen having laid an egg with Mr. Bryan's initials on the shell it is plainly up to the Ohio hen.

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New York amateur photographers are blamed for water waste in New York.

J. Sheer, Sedalia, Mo. saved his child's life by One Minute Cough Cure. Doctors had given her up to die with croup. It's an infallible cure for coughs, colds, grip, pneumonia bronchitis and throat and lung troubles. Relieves at once. J. E. King H. W. Bell J. W. Swearingen N. L. Krone.

Americans buy $7,000,000 worth of millinery in Paris yearly.

Miss Annie E. Gunning Tyre Mich., says "I suffered a long time from dyspepsia; lost flesh and became very weak. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure completely cured me." It digests what you eat and cures all forms of stomach trouble. It never fails to give immediate relief in the worst cases. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

Bourke Cochran will support Bryan for the presidency if Bryan will shelve free silver until 1904.

J. R. Clark, Peoria says, "Surgeons wanted to operate on me for piles, but I cured them with DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve." It is infallible for piles and skin diseases. Beware of counterfeits. J. E. King, H. W. Bell, F. W. Swearingen, N. L. Krone.

IS STILL GAINING

Wheat Shows Strength On Account of Plague And Other Causes.

FRACTIONAL GAIN FOR CORN

Cattle Prices Are Steady For Average Offerings While Hogs Are Strong.

THE MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH

Chicago Jan. 29—Wheat—Fairly active and unsettled, within a range of 1¼ to 1⅜. Close showed ⅛c to 1c; 1-8c gain. The start was active and much stronger due to sharp advance at Liverpool, moderate northwest movement, the cold wave and the official announcement from Buenos Ayres that the bubonic plague has broken out at Rosario. The world's shipments are moderate. The quantity on ocean passage decreased 8000 bushels. Consols are off one point, due to British reverse in South Africa and possibly was an indirect bull factor. Liverpool closed ½ to ⅝c higher. New York reported 30 boat loads taken for export. The showing of various visibles was responsible for the late upturn.

Corn—Active, with a large trade at the start, after which there was a moderate range being limited to ⅜c. The feeling was easy, though the close showed a fractional gain. Country acceptances were liberal and elevator, receiving and commission houses all sold at the opening. Liverpool was ⅛ penny higher on futures and ¼ for spot. The quantity on ocean passage decreased 290,000 bushels. New York reported 42 boat loads taken for export. The visible supply increased 828,000 against 1,078,000 for the same week in 1899.

Oats—Fairly active and closed at the best prices with a gain of ⅛c on May, but a shade easier for July. The feature was selling by packers and covering by local shorts. The visible increased 24,000 bushels.

GRAIN, FLOUR AND PROVISIONS.

Chicago, Jan. 29—Wheat—Jan. 67½; May 69⅝ to 69½.

Corn—Jan. 31; May 33⅛.

Oats—Jan. 22⅛; May 23⅝ to 23½.

Rye—May 53½; barley, 44½ to 45; flax, $1.55; timothy, $2.50; clover, $8.40.

Flour—Quiet and firm.

Wheat—Fairly active and unsettled, closing higher; No. 2 red no sales; No. 2 spring no sales. May opened 68¾; highest 69¼; lowest 68⅛; closed 68⅝.

Corn—Active and rather easy, though the close showed a gain; May opened 32¾; highest 33⅛; lowest 32⅞; closed 33.

Oats—Fairly active, and unsettled; No. 2 white, no sales; No. 3 white no sales.

PROVISIONS.

Pork—Jan. $10.55; May $10.75.
Lard—Jan. $5.80; May $5.92½ to $5.75.
Ribs—Jan. $5 67½; May 5.75.
Short clear sides $5.80 to $5.90.

PRODUCE.

Steady; creameries 19 to 24; dairies 18 to 22.

Eggs—Steady 15.

POULTRY.

Dressed poultry—Firm; turkeys, 9; chickens 7½ to 8.

RECEIPTS AND SHIPMENTS.

Chicago, Jan. 29—The following were the receipts and shipments today:

	Receipts.	Ship.
Flour	32	29
Wheat	36	73
Corn	146	151
Oats	211	200

HOW PRICES FLUCTUATED

The following is the range and close of Monday's grain and provision markets:

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.	Yesd'y
WHEAT—					
Jan.	66	67¼	66	67¼	66
May	68⅝@⅞	69¼	68⅛@¼	68⅝@¾	68⅛@¼
July	69⅜@½	70¼	69	70⅛@¼	69½b
CORN—					
Jan.	......	......	......	31	31
May	33⅛@33	33⅛r	32⅞	33⅛	33
July	33¾	33⅞@¾	33½	33⅝@¾	33½b
OATS—					
Jan.	......	......	......	22⅛	22¼
May	23⅜	23⅜@½	23⅛@¼	23⅜@½	23⅛@¼
PORK—					
May	10.80¼	10.87½	10.67½	10.75	10.77½
LARD—					
May	6.02½	6.02½	5.92½	5.92½	6.00
RIBS—					
May	5.80	5.80	5.72½	5.77½	5.80

GRAIN AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, Jan. 29—Wheat, cash 71¾; May 71¾.

Corn—Cash 30½; May 31⅞.

Oats—Cash 23; May 24⅛.

GRAIN AT PEORIA.

Peoria, Jan. 29—Corn—Easy, No. 3, 30½.

Oats—Inactive, No. 2 white 24 to 24½.

GRAIN AT LIVERPOOL.

Liverpool, Jan. 29—Wheat—Spot No. 2 red western winter firm 5s, 11d; No. 1 northern spring, 6s, ½d. May 5s, 10⅜d.

Corn—Spot American mixed firm for now at 3s, 6⅛d; old firm 3s, 6⅜d.

WHEAT AT MINNEAPOLIS.

Minneapolis, Jan. 29—Wheat—Closed strong, a full cent up from Saturday. May closed at 63⅝. Cash wheat at May price for No. 1 northern No. 2 held two cents under No. 1.

NEW YORK MARKET.

New York, Jan. 29—Wheat—Receipts 52,000; exports 68,000; spot firm; No. 2 red 77½ f. o. b. afloat and 75⅝c elevator. Options closed firm at ⅝c to ⅞c net advance. May closed 75⅝c.

Corn—Receipts 10,000; exports 52,000; spot steady; No. 2 40c. Options closed firm and unchanged. May closed 39⅛.

Oats—Receipts 130,000; exports 1250; spot steady; track mixed western 30½; track white 31 to 35. Options quiet but steady.

Butter—Steady; western 25; factory 16 to 19.

Cheese—Large and small 12⅜ to 13c.

Eggs—Western 17c loss off. Western ungraded at mark 13 to 16.

Coffee—Market closed 10 to 20 points lower. Sales 44,000 bags. May $6.80 to $6.85. Spot Rio weak. No. 7 invoice, 8.

Sugar—Raw, firm; refined, firmer; mould "A" $5.45; standard "A" $5; confectioners' "A" $5; cut loaf $6; crushed $5.60; powdered $5.30; granulated $5.20; cubes, $5.35.

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Sheep—Receipts today 17,000. There was the strongest kind of demand and sheep and lambs were a dime to 15 cents higher, selling at the best prices reached yet. Sheep sold $3 to $3.75 for culls up to $5 to $5.15 for choice flocks. Lambs active at $6 to $6.85.

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Hogs—Receipts 4000; market 5 cents higher. Range $4.60 to $4.65.

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THE BEAUTIES OF THE RIVER RHINE

Mrs. John A. Barnes, wife of the United States consul at Cologne, Germany, formerly of Decatur, has written an interesting letter to Mrs. Effie Kennedy of this city telling of the people, places and customs as she has observed them during her two years' residence there. As the wife of a representative of the people of America she has been shown a great deal of courtesy and attention. Her letter will be read before the Sorosis division of the woman's club today and her friends are anticipating it with a great deal of pleasure. Knowing how many there are who will be interested and who do not attend this division Mrs. Kennedy has permitted the Herald to publish the letter. After some personal references in which the writer tells of the death of her father and mother she says:

"And now I want to tell you of our city here and something of its people. Cologne, as you know, is situated on the river Rhine and it has nearly 400,000 inhabitants, 80 per cent of which are Catholics so I have a fine opportunity to study Catholicism. First we have the cathedral which is known all over the world for its age, history and architecture. There are many other old, interesting churches here which I will not now attempt to describe—one just opposite the consular offices, 800 years old and very interesting from an historical standpoint. The city is strongly fortified and the fortifications are interesting to the average American. Cologne was once surrounded by a high wall and portions of this wall are still reserved in different parts of the city and are interesting to us. I will try and send you a post card with a view of one of these old gates and parts of the wall which once surrounded this very old city. Then the bridges of boats are interesting. The Rhine is bridged over with boats—pontoned as it were. There is no danger of this bridge being swept away by high water for it is so arranged that the bridge rises and falls with the water. In the old part of the city the streets are narrow and short, making abrupt turns and angles and when I inquired why they were so I was told that in time of war it enabled soldiers to dodge the enemy, and any one seeing these narrow, short streets could at once see the philosophy of such an assertion. In the new part the streets are wide and the buildings modern with small parks built all along. Trees are planted as soon as ground is laid out for a building. They have many large parks or gardens as they are called here and in every one of these large parks there are parts reserved for the playgrounds for children. There are many small parks especially for children.

I must tell you all about that at another time.

I want now to speak of the outdoor life of the German people, especially in Cologne. I have spent two summers here and the weather is simply ideal never uncomfortable in the house nor in the shade. The trees are especially arranged in the parks for shade and comfort and small tables sit under these treat the entire summer. In some of these parks there is a concert afternoon and morning. If you want to sit at one of these tables you can select your own place and all it costs you is the obligation to order something to eat or drink in order to hold the table for the afternoon or evening. Coffee, tea, milk, wine or sandwiches—anything will do. The ladies go and spend the afternoon and evening and often the father joins them and they have their supper there under the trees. They go in companies and have their fancy work, order cake and coffee or beer and visit and work and enjoy this outdoor life. There are no flies or small insects to annoy us and I cannot understand the absence of flies. Besides this place where the tables are arranged in the parks, there are long shady walks with comfortable benches arranged on the way and a lake with boats, rose gardens with beautiful flowers and shrubs at every turn. Then we have the second zoological gardens in Germany and the most beautiful garden called "Flora."

On the Rhine from early in the spring until late autumn they have large steamers for passengers. It takes from 9 in the morning till 9 in the evening to make the trip from Cologne to Mayence. The river is narrow and the scenery wonderfully beautiful. Old ruins, old castles, forts, monasteries, connected with history are all interesting. Then the vineyards on the sides of the mountains and the little old villages that are hundreds of years old—every foot of the ground seems to have a history. I think I have not enjoyed anything since I have been here as I did this trip up the Rhine from Cologne to Mayence. To me the legends of the Rhine have a never ending interest. I am now reading German history from before the reign of Charlemagne. I have often been at Aix Chappelle and in the old church where Charlemagne was crowned. In that church there were thirty-seven persons crowned, and always on those occasions the church was presented with costly jewels called crown jewels and they are still to be seen in the treasury of the old cathedral. I have seen them twice once with some Catholic friends and once with a friend of the high priest there. They are simply gorgeous. This is said to be the richest treasury in the entire world. Jewels and precious stones of enormous size, worth and purity. In the shrine there you can see a piece of the cross, and a bit of the cloth that was said to have been around the body of Christ after the crucifixion and many other things considered by the Catholics as very sacred but looked upon with some doubt by the average protestant.

I wish I had time and space to tell you how Christmas is celebrated in Germany but want to say a word about the ushering in of the new century. At the cathedral they held a midnight mass which was commenced just before 12 and lasted just one hour. After that there was to be a pontifical blessing by the Archbishop of Cologne authorized by the pope of Rome, and for the first time. We did not know anything about this pontifical blessing and went early before the doors were open—such a crowd. When the doors were open I thought I should be crushed by the people anxious to get in and to get up front in order to be sure of "the blessing." We were glad to get back seats alive, and so missed the blessing which meant so much to the Catholics. At 12 o'clock the great Cathedral bell rang out the old and rang in the new century. All of the church bells in the city rang and we thought that the old century was now of the past. There were ten thousand people in the cathedral and many outside who no doubt felt greatly disappointed at not being able to get in or not get even sight of the archbishop. I do not expect nor wish to attend any more midnight masses. There is a small congregation of English Episcopals here and I often go to their services and expect to attend more frequently this year. My daughter expects to visit us in April and I am looking forward with great pleasure to her coming.

I expect to hear from you soon. I know simply nothing of the club at Decatur. I promised to write a letter to the club and I shall try this spring to at least write one letter. I have just joined a German literary society. I do not know how I shall get along as my German is not very fluent and I find it difficult to learn. With kind remembrances to all inquiring friends and love and sympathy to yourself. I remain,

Mrs. J. A. Barnes.

CAUSES DISCUSSION

Question of More Supervisors For Decatur Again Comes Up.

As the spring election approaches there is a growing interest in the matter of providing for the election of two or three more assistant supervisors in Decatur township, but in spite of all the interest in the affair it is not likely that anything will be done. About a year ago the county board took up the matter of securing a larger representation for this township, but the results were not as satisfactory as desired. While practically assured that the township should have at least two more members on the board than the present number of nine no definite basis could be arranged upon which to establish a claim for them. According to the census of a decade ago our representation is about what it should be, but when the size of the present population is considered we are shy on representation by long odds.

This matter was considered at some length by the board and a great many complications rose out of the discussions that occured at that time. When Decatur township asked for a larger representation some of the outside townships raised a loud protest as they feared having their own representation diminished. The Decatur members of the board preservered, however, and did not stop agitating the matter until they learned that a special census would have to be taken to ascertain the basis of representation. Not wishing to put the county to the expense of taking a special census when the compiling of the government census was so near at hand the board dropped the matter.

A supervisor remarked yesterday that it is unfortunate that the matter can not be settled this spring. Of the nine supervisors the township has now the terms of only three expire this year. This leaves six whose terms expire a year hence. In case the extra three members could be chosen this spring they could be elected for a period of two years and this would make the terms of six supervisors expire every second year instead of six one year and three the next as is the case under the present conditions of affairs.

Some of the supervisors are already beginning to speculate as to how this matter will finally be arranged. Evidently it will be too one-sided a condition of things to have only one-fourth of our supervisors elected one year and the other three-fourths elected next year. One supervisor suggests that when Decatur gets her extra representation that the new supervisors be elected for a term of only one year the first time in order to even up things. However, he is not sure that supervisors can be elected for one year only, unless the same is done to fill vacancies. He suggests that the supervisors of Decatur township look into this matter closely before the spring election is held. He thinks that if there is no way to avoid the unequal elections the cost of the special census should be estimated and, if cheap enough, that means of deciding our representation should be acted upon.

LARGEST MORMON FAMILY

Old Bishop Ricks Has Twelve Wives, 66 Children And 218 Grand Children.

During the anti-Mormon agitation growing out of the Roberts case no attention seems to have been called to old Bishop Heber Ricks, who enjoys the distinction of being the head of the largest family in Mormondom, if not in the world. He has 12 wives, 66 children, and 213 grandchildren. At the age of 77 he is living in the midst of his descendants in the Snake Valley on the boundary of Wyoming. Old Heber Ricks is a giant in stature, with a long, grizzled beard, and a figure little bent by the weight of years. He is a high priest in the church, and, to Mormons, he speaks with the voice of divine inspiration on both religion and business. Though he refuses to talk about his early life, it is known that he was born in some foreign land, and came to St. Louis in 1842, soon after joining the Mormons at Independence, Mo. Some of his sons are prominent at Alberta, Canada, where the Mormons are settling up a new kingdom, and at Chihuahua, Mexico, where for years there has been a flourishing Mormon colony. In fact, the name of Ricks is prominent wherever Mormonism is known.

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WRITES A STORY

Miss Edith Allan Starr, Daughter of Joseph Starr, Gains Recognition.

NOT IN THE USUAL WAY

Little Love Tale Told in Interesting Manner—Place On Roll of Honor.

VERY GOOD FOR FIRST ATTEMPT

The following little story entitled "Not in the Usual Way," written by Miss Edith Allan Starr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Starr will be read with interest by her friends. Miss Starr is a student at the Illinois Female college in Jacksonville and the story was published recently by the Jacksonville Courier, having been accorded first place on the roll of honor.

Tom Watson always acknowledged in his inmost heart, that his little wife Dolly, was the sweetest and most considerate little woman in the world, but, to Dolly herself, he was always declaring she was a perfect nuisance. The minute his footstep was heard outside the door, everything else was abandoned and a perfect little whirlwind of petticoats, exclamations and kisses came to throw itself in to his arms. He really enjoyed those rapturous greetings, but of course, it would never have one for him to let Dolly know it.

One cold evening in December Dolly met him in the usual way, but all during dinner she maintained an air of the greatest secrecy, and her face was wreathed in smiles. Tom realized that something unusually exciting was in the wind, and endeavored to assume an exterior of the most supreme indifference, thinking that this would "bring her around all right." His prediction proved true and Dolly, at last, unable to keep her secret any longer, burst out with, "Oh Tom. Ruth Cunningham was here tonight to see you and you can't guess what she told me!" "No, I don't suppose I can; unless she is in love—as your schoolmates seem to make you a confidante in their affairs of the heart. What is it this time? A country quack or a stump orator? I believe we have had every other profession on our list of "Happy Marriages!" Although she pouted like a spoiled child through the rest of the meal, afterwards when they had drawn up their chairs before the cozy little drawing room fire and Tom, in a penitent voice, had begged forgiveness for his rudeness and after a great deal of pleading, Dolly at last consented to tell him about her schoolmate, Ruth Cunningham. "Now, if you will not interrupt one tiny, wee bit, I will tell you Ruth's little story just as she told it to me." The promise was dutifully given, and she commenced:

"You know, the summer after our class graduated at Westbridge, Ruth's father failed in business and the family was thrown into very straightened circumstances, so that they had to economize dreadfully and Ruth had to give up her dream of going to Smith the next year. We girls never realized how poor they were until Ruth wrote us that she was going to teach a country school near a little place called Shady Grove.

The boys in her school, she wrote, with one exception, were dreadfully hard to manage—perfect bullies! But this one exception was the redeeming feature of the whole school. As "Every cloud has its silver lining" so she wrote, it might be paraphrased, "Every school has its one good pupil!" He was a great, tall, broad-shouldered, country boy, and Ruth said that the first day of school she almost shed tears at sight of him, he looked so discouraging. Altho he was made the butt of a good many school jokes, all the boys seemed to have a peculiar respect for him, while ridiculing his seeming lack of "spunk." Ruth heard from outside sources that he was unutterably slow in learning but always remembered a question perfectly after he had once mastered it. She found the first recitations very trying and wrote that she shed quarts of tears after endeavoring to pound a simple little algebra problem into his head. But one day, by some little accident, she discovered that she was not approaching him in a way to draw out the best there was in him, because, in class, his difficient nature made him seem self conscious and awkward. Ruth asked him if he would like to remain after school and recite for awhile and she said that he blossomed out wonderfully, and altho always slow, instead of being stupid she discovered that he was really very bright. Now, Tom, dear, don't laugh! Of course, he appreciated her efforts and became her humble worshiper. Why in the spring, before coming to school, he scoured the woods for wild-flowers, and fairly deluged her with them. During the day, he always tried to save her all annoyance and, at night, after his lesson, of course, walked home with her from school. She lent him books and magazines, and on their long walks, they had plenty of time to discuss all topics, from the weather, to the advantages of the college education. Ruth tried to persuade him to go to college and fit himself for some special kind of work as she felt sure he would be successful. But the poor fellow could scarcely shake off the idea that he was destined to be only a common farmer like the rest of his comrades. He had no self confidence and none of the special courses, which she suggested to him, seemed alluring enough to tempt him out of his old routine existence. But one day she stumbled upon an old catalogue of a school of technology and a sudden idea seized her—Why wouldn't John make a good civil engineer! She was so delighted with the idea that she could scarcely wait to see him again. Her enthusiasm spread itself to the boy, and soon they began to plan for his college course in real earnest. Of course he would have to make his own way and Ruth wanted to lend him some of her little savings, but he refused with scorn, saying that she had done more for him already than he deserved.

All that summer he worked hard and earned enough to start him off to school the next fall. At last he left, and then, once more, I began to be deluged with letters, as blue as if they had been dipped in indigo. I knew right away what was the matter because always before everything she wrote was about John—John—John—but like a sensible little girl, I did not let on at all. After that first winter our correspondence became rather desultory, and at last I stopped hearing from her altogether.

How dreadfully lonely those four long winters were, I never know until today. He wrote very, very seldom and then only to tell her about his work, and endeavor to thank her for all the help she had been to him by rousing his ambition. She did not realize until he had gone that all her interest in life had been centered in his development, and that she had forgotten her surroundings only because of her untiring interest in him. He had never told her he loved her in words, and yet, her woman's instinct made her feel sure that he did. She heard of his popularity at college, and his success in his work from friends who lived near there, but as time went on and she did not hear from him, she began to fear that perhaps he had forgotten her.

Six years from the time of her initiation as a country school teacher, Ruth was walking home alone in the twilight. She said that she could not keep her thoughts from drifting back six—then four years, and noticing the changes that had come about in that time. Her father's financial condition was no better than it had been six years back, and as she tried to look into the future it seemed pitifully clear. She thought of her school girl dreams the air castles she had built and then how rudely they had been shattered. She saw herself teaching school twenty years hence in that same country district—a lonely old spinster, mechanically teaching and living on.

She was so occupied with her busy thoughts, that she was dreadfully startled when a man stepped up to her and raised his hat. Her first impulse was to run as she saw he was a stranger, but, as he had not commanded her to put up her hands, she changed her mind and turned around quietly to ask what he wished—and, oh, it didn't make any difference if it was dark, she recognized him right away. It gave her such a shock that she almost fainted, but he caught her in his arms just as she was falling, and—oh Tom, you know the rest—it's just as you predicted. He loved her all that time but did not dare write to her for fear of giving away his secret and he was too proud to ask her to marry him when he had nothing; but now, he is superintendent of the surveying department right here in Chicago, and oh dear me! I've forgotten how many thousands he makes a year—and—oh yes! we're invited to the wedding next week."

NEAR WHITE HEATH

Smallpox Causing Alarm In Champaign County.

The epidemic of smallpox has created such a scare in Piatt county is extending across the line into the adjoining county of Champaign and the authorities of that county are becoming as much concerned over the appearance of the disease as are the people of Piatt county.

Over near White Heath several cases of the disease have appeared and although none of them have as yet proven at all the victims have been quite sick. Several of the members of the family of Ben Smith are now badly broken out with the little pimples and up to the present time they have been allowed to mingle with the other residents and it is expected now that as the disease has appeared for certainly that there will soon by many other cases appear. There is talk of putting a quarantine on the town to prevent further spread of the malady. There is no decrease in the number of cases of small pox in and around Monticello and the doctors there who were at first not inclined to believe that the disease was really smallpox are becoming convinced that it is. The residents of the town are more careful about mingling with the people from the infected districts. In some of the schools in the country districts it appears that there have been pupils attending the schools who have been afflicted for some time but no attention was paid to the patients until they began to show such distinct symptoms of smallpox. The advice of the physicians to take the necessary precaution of being vaccinated is being taken now and sore arms are the fad in that part of the country.

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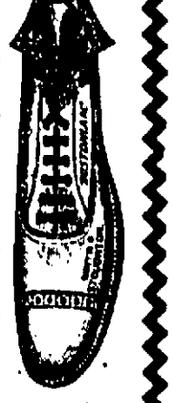

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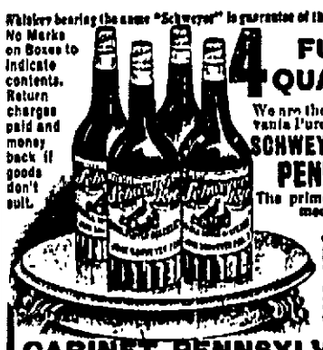

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GRAND JURY WILL INVESTIGATE

A shooting scrape in the east end of the city, now more than a week old, has just come to the surface and having come that far the grand jury has taken hold of it and will investigate.

The affair happened on the night of Saturday, Jan. 20, and the story which comes as the result of police investigation is as follows:

On East avenue there lives Fred A. Pfeiffer and his two sisters, Anna Schlegel and Mary Pfeiffer. It is said that on the night mentioned three young men called at the Pfeiffer home about midnight and knocked loudly at the door. One of the young women went to the door and asked the callers to leave the place but they did not do so until after the brother had come out and insisted that they leave. There were some words at that time but that was all. It is said that about 3 o'clock in the morning the callers returned to the Pfeiffer home and demanded admittance. An immediate answer not being given they threw their weight against the door and broke it open, walking into the house. The women fled to the rear rooms and called the brother. He came out with a revolver in his hand. He ordered the intruders from the house and they left without much argument but once on the outside fired a volley of abuse and then began to throw bricks and cinders. It is said that several window lights were broken and when some of the missiles came close to the head of young Pfeiffer he drew his revolver and began shooting. He fired four shots but so far as he knew at that time did not hit any one. Later developments prove that he shot Tom Cuttle in the leg. Early Sunday morning Dr. Kenton was called to see him. The physician found that the bullet had entered just below the knee and had glanced and followed one of the heavy muscles downward and could not be found. According to the story of the police when the physician asked his patient questions about how it happened, he was refused all information. The matter was reported to the police and they investigated. Among others called to the headquarters to tell about the affair was young Pfeiffer. His story was straight and he told the chief that he did not know that he had hit any one. He produced pieces of cinders which he said were thrown through his windows. He was not arrested.

The police say that they have learned that Cuttle was accompanied by Butch Hurst but that they have not been able to learn the name of the third man.

DEATH AT DALTON

B. B. Combest Dies After a Short Illness of Pneumonia.

B. B. Combest, ex-postmaster, died of pneumonia at his home in Dalton City Sunday morning at 4:30 o'clock, aged 48 years. He leaves a wife and three children. He had been ill about four days.

The deceased was a harness maker by trade and was one of the prominent citizens of the place. He was a member of the United Brethren church and was the president of the village board.

Mr. Combest was a member of the Mt. Zion lodge of Odd Fellows and also of the Modern Woodman camp at Dalton, and for six years past has been the venerable consul of the last named lodge.

The funeral services will be held at the United Brethren church in Dalton Monday at 1 o'clock and the services will be conducted by Rev. M. B. Spayd, of this city, assisted by Rev. Carter of Dalton. The Odd Fellows of Mt. Zion and the Woodmen of Dalton will attend the services in a body and a special train will take the party to Mt. Zion, where the interment will occur.

FRAZIER.

Grace, the 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Frazer, died at their home at 1202 East North street on Sunday forenoon of membraneous croup. The hour of the funeral will be announced later.

Hotel Change.

Blue Mound Leader:—Yesterday Mesdames Hardin and Hughes disposed of the furniture and fixtures of the Brick hotel to Mrs. John Briggs, who has recently returned from South Dakota.

The hotel has been conducted for some time by Mrs. Ora Hughes, as Mrs. Hardin is at Hot Springs, Ark. Mr. and Mrs. Hughes have not yet decided as to whether they will remain in Blue Mound or remove to some other place. It will be one year Feb. 1 since they entered the hotel business here and they have established a nice business.

Returned Home.

Saturday the police were asked to look for runaway boys, Fred J. Miller, who ran away from his home in Argenta, went to the home of a relative in this city and was sent home Saturday.

Harry Fawcette, aged 11 years, who ran away from his home in Pekin, was arrested by Officer Dunigan and given into the custody of his aunt, Mrs. Mitchel of North Broadway.

Died at Dudley.

Word was received here yesterday of the death of Mrs. Zink at her home in Dudley, Ill. The deceased was the mother of Mrs. J. W. Sanders, who accompanied by her husband had gone for her mothers' bedside several days ago. The funeral services will be held at Dudley today.

KEPT THEM BUSY

Doctors Had All They Could Do Vaccinating People Sunday.

Yesterday was a great day for the doctor in the vaccinating business. The report that a genuine case of smallpox had appeared in the city caused a great deal of excitement and the easily frightened along with the very cautious citizens immediately made their way to the office of the family doctor and were vaccinated. One of the prominent doctors of the city was busy all the afternoon vaccinating people who called at his office and the waiting room was crowded all the time with the people who were waiting their turn at treatment with the vaccine point. The feeling that vaccinating would help to keep away the disease seemed to be very popular and the fellows who never believe in the efficacy of the vaccine point were among the first to rush to the office of the doctor when the disease made its appearance in the city. Several of the doctors report a number of vaccinations during the day and one of the doctors was busy late into the night answering calls to go out to residences and vaccinate the children of the family. The druggists report the sale of vaccine points to many of the heads of the families who were going to do the vaccinating for the family.

THE COUNTY SCHOOLS

An Exhibit Will Be Made at the Institute.

At the county superintendent's office supplies are being made up for the school treasurers of the county and will be given out during the farmer's Institute. These supplies include election blanks and reports. School directors will be elected on the third Saturday in April and trustees on the second Saturday.

The country schools will make a display at the coming institute. It will be a sort of an impromptu affair and all the more valuable for that. There has been no special preparation. The pupils will merely offer the work of the past months. All the schools of the county with two exceptions of this city will be represented in the display.

The central examinations will begin on the 5th day of February and will close on the 12th day of March. The finals will be held at the office of the county superintendent on the 17th of March.

Miss Clara Record is teaching at the Milan Center school for a few days during the absence of the regular teacher, Miss Gordanier, who is detained at home by the illness of her mother.

During the past week Superintendent Kellar has visited the following schools: Prairie Center, Middleworth, Kendal, Oak Ridge and Wood street.

Homer Blankenship has taken the Beal school two miles south and two miles east of Alantic.

County Superintendent Kellar has the honor of having introduced the traveling library in the country schools. The idea is now an old one in Macon county but it is just as popular as the day that it was introduced. The scheme is a simple and practical one. The directors of a district pay five dollars for ten assorted books enclosed in a neat little telescope. For ten dollars they get ten books in a larger case. The cases and books are numbered and after the pupils in one district have finished reading them they are brought to the office of the county superintendent which is made the medium of exchange. When Superintendent Kellar introduced the idea three years ago the library consisted of three sets of books, numbering thirty in all. Now there are sixty cases of ten books each, number in all 600 volumes. The task of selecting the books has devolved largely on the superintendent and in consequence there are no duplicates. The works include history, fiction and science and the books range from the juvenile works to those designed for older heads. The library has proved a blessing not only to school children but to their parents as well. When the books are taken to a district they are eagerly sought by the old and young alike and are all carefully read. There is one copy of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" and it is extremely popular. It has already been rebound once. Since the idea was introduced here Superintendent Kellar has had many inquiries from all over the country as to the success of the plan.

Let's Build a Fence.

If Maroa don't build a high fence around itself, and do it pretty quick, the town is going to be transferred bodily to Decatur. It isn't because our people have acquired a sudden and uncontrolable liking to Decatur, but because Decatur is inviting them. The invitations are neat in form, partly printed, and partly written in the best Spencerian style, and are so urgent that they are delivered by the hands of the high sheriff of Macon county. And Maroa is too well up on the niceties of invitation etiquette to rudely ignore such invitations as these, and are accepting. That's why we need the fence.—Maroa News.

REAL ESTATE DEALS AT MAROA.

Samuel O. Braden yesterday purchased of Chas. F. Schenck his house and lot in the west part of the city. The consideration was $1300. Mr. Braden sold the house to Dr. G. W. Weyl who will move it to another lot and Mr. Braden will begin the erection of a five or six room cottage on the lot as soon as it is possible to begin the work. Mr. Braden is a wealthy farmer southwest of town and he desires to retire from farm work, turning the management of his farms over to his sons. He is a valuable citizen and his family will be welcomed to Maroa.

MAROA MAN INTERESTED.

Maroa capital is being invested in the lead and zinc mines at Joplin, Mo. Messrs. Crocker & Costello and a gentleman named Cook, of Chicago are making arrangements to build a large mill at Galena a suburb of Joplin. The contract will probably be let in a few days. Mr. Costello says there is a great amount of business being done at Joplin. He thinks money can be made there, but a person must use the same caution he would in any other business. Everything is booming now and big deals are made every day.

Robbed the Preacher.

Saturday evening the buggy of Rev. Plowman, standing on State street, was robbed of a lot of groceries.

FAVOR CULLOM

Republicans Think the Attack of Gov. Tanner Was Uncalled For And Unwise.

BELIEVE TANNER IS DONE FOR

Even His Friends Think He Made a Mistake in Declaring War.

SOME OF THE OPINIONS EXPRESSED

The recent engagement between Governor Tanner and Senator Cullom or rather the former's recent personal attack on the latter has been the main topic of talk in local political circles during the past two weeks. While both have their warm personal friends and backers here the sentiment of the people is apparently seen to be with Senator Cullom. Even some of those who have been staunch friends of the governor in the past are backing the senior senator and are all of the [illegible] With the [illegible] lukewarm [illegible] up to this time the action [illegible] to entirely divorce them from any [illegible] with which he [illegible] Macon county has [illegible] at the time to [illegible] Senator Cullom. During the [illegible] Herald reporter [illegible] met them in [illegible] room [illegible] press their opinion of the [illegible] of Governor Tanner's action. There were some who declined to talk about the matter at all either from lack of information on the subject or because they had no particular interest in the case one way or the other. The opinions of those who were willing to talk are hereby appended but the names of those who expressed the opinions are not given for obvious reasons. They pretty clearly indicate the flow of the current:

"Governor Tanner has made no friends and his action has cost him many that he had."

"I am for Governor Tanner because I believe that his administration has been an honest one. If any one has ever had a charge to prefer against one of his appointees, he has been given a hearing and if the charge was sustained the appointee has been dismissed."

"Tanner's attack on Senator Cullom was unnecessary and certainly did him no good. If we were to get Tanner and Mason in Washington as the senators from this state we would be worse off than Kentucky."

"Tanner has proved himself much less of a politician than I gave him credit for. He certainly made a mistake in attacking a man as close to the people as Senator Cullom. He may weaken the senator's chance of re-election, might possibly encompass his defeat but if he were to do this he would kill himself. It might be a satisfaction to Tanner but it would be expensive."

B S T.—"I am for Tanner. He has announced that he is not a candidate for anything. That is the reason that I am for him."

"The republicans might do with Tanner what an old democrat [illegible] they were going to do with Bryan this year—put him up and beat him good and hard to get rid of him."

"As between Tanner and Cullom there can be no comparison. I certainly am not for Tanner."

"I would certainly prefer Cullom in the senate. It might be that he is getting a trifle old and that a younger man would be of more service to the party but still he is a credible representative. It would be awful if we were to have to submit to Tanner and Mason in the senate from this state at one and the same time."

"I think that it will kill them both. It all started from Tanner's understanding that he could not get a re-nomination. In my opinion it will be settled up before the convention takes place. I understand that the hatchet has already been buried and that there is nothing left to do but fill in the grave."

"Their troubles don't bother me much. While Tanner has had lots of warm personal friends here he must not forget that Macon county has always been strongly for Cullom."

"I think the whole difficulty will be adjusted before the convention meets. As far as Tanner is personally concerned I don't believe that any movement which he now heads will succeed."

Normal Institutes.

Four normal institutes will be held in Macon county under the leadership of G. W. Miller of Paris on the last two days of February and the first two days in March. The first will be held at Argenta on Tuesday; the second at Warrensburg on Wednesday, the third at Elwin on Thursday and the fourth at Decatur on Friday. A. H. Mills, P. P. Laughlin, Rev. A. B. Spray and others will take a part in the program.

At An Advanced Age.

Prof. J. H. Coonradt has received word of the death of his father at Paola, Kansas, at the advanced age of 84 years. His death was due to old age. Prof. Coonradt will not go to Kansas in time to attend the funeral services.

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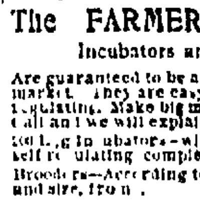

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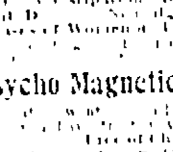

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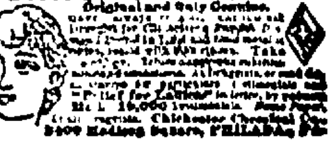

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VACCINATION TO BE ENFORCED

There are no new developments in the smallpox matter. All sorts of silly rumors were afloat on the streets yesterday and Dr. Jones of the board of health was kept busy answering telephone calls in which he was requested to come and investigate all kinds of suspicious cases. Two or three new cases of smallpox were reported on the streets but so far investigation has proved that only one case exists. While there were a number of persons on the streets the business done in the stores fell quite a great deal short of the ordinary Monday's business. The people were down town to be vaccinated and they were accommodated as long as the vaccine virus lasted. The druggists were sold out early in the morning and the physicians who had not taken the precaution to lay in a supply sufficient to run through the day were compelled to disappoint many of their patients. The druggists telephoned large orders to the city for vaccine Sunday night and promised the much desired article on every train during the day. It was expected sure on the 3 o'clock train but did not come and patients who had waited all the afternoon agreed to come back after supper, believing with the doctors that the vaccine would come in on the 7 o'clock train. It did not and those who did not care to take chances on the 8 o'clock train decided to go home and come down this morning.

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DR. EAGAN HERE.

Dr. J. H. Eagan secretary of the state board of health who was in the city for a short time on Monday morning had a talk with Dr. Jones, chairman of the local board of health, Dr. Eagan said that the supreme court had redecided regarding compulsory vaccination in the schools that the local board of health could issue an order that all school children must be vaccinated in the case of smallpox being in the city and it would be legally upheld in the matter. Unless the smallpox really existed it would not be possible to enforce the order.

VACCINATION TO BE ENFORCED.

Dr. Jones said last night that neither he nor the other members of the board of health had had time for a breathing spell but today or just as soon as it is possible to meet together he will call a meeting of the board and issue an order for all school children to be vaccinated. He believes it is the thing to do and while large numbers of the school children were vaccinated yesterday there will be some who will not have it done unless the order is compulsory.

The board of health wants it understood that while they will not be able to answer all calls for investigation in all kinds of cases, they will expect to be notified at once of any suspicious cases.

SUSPICIOUS CASES AT CASNER.

Dr. Patterson of Casner yesterday sent for Dr. S. J. Bumstead to come out and see a case which he thought was smallpox. Dr. Bumstead agreed to go out last evening but later received word from Dr. Patterson to wait a day or two as the case had not sufficiently developed and he thought it would be better to wait until there were more definite symptoms.

NO ATTEMPT TO CORNER VACCINE.

There was a report last night that Dr. Cass Chenoweth had run a corner on all of the vaccine points in this city it being stated that he had bought up the supply in all of the drug stores. This report was not true. In order to keep himself supplied the doctor bought a big lot from two druggists but made no attempt to corner the market. He secured enough to run him through the day and as a big supply was received in the city at night there will be plenty to go around today.

VACCINATING BY CONTRACT.

The Mueller factory owners employed Dr. Will Chenoweth to call at their factory on Tuesday and vaccinate the entire force. There are 215 persons employed there. Dr. Chenoweth has provided himself with points and will begin the arm scratching this morning. The employes will be called into the office one at a time and submit to the operation. The owners of the factory will defray one-half of the expense. It will take the doctor the greater portion of the day to complete the task.

BIG CONSIGNMENT OF VACCINE.

The W. F. Neisler drug company on Monday evening received 3000 vaccine points and tubes from a Chicago house and ten gross of shields. One doctor placed an order with this firm for 150 points and there are other orders on file amounting to [illegible]50. The retail value of the stock received is $312 for points and $30 for the shields. It was the biggest order ever placed by a Decatur druggist for vaccine virus. The order was placed by telegraph during the morning and was shipped out during the afternoon, reaching here in the evening.

FAMILY AFFAIR.

The rush is so great at the doctor's offices that heads of families have taken to performing the work themselves. It is not a difficult job but it is better if possible, to have the work performed by a physician.

LITTLE SMALLPOX—BIG SCARE.

The fact that there is one case of smallpox in a city of 25,000 inhabitants need cause no particular alarm but it has just the same and there never has been such a rush to get vaccinated. Doctors in interviews with reporters have for six weeks past been urging the people to take this precaution but with poor success. The people put it off until the appearance of one case of the disease and now they all want to be vaccinated at once.

UP AND AROUND.

Joseph Ogle, the victim of the disease was up and around his room Monday. He was dressed and was not feeling at all badly, except that he was chafing under the confinement to his room. He has passed the serious part of the sickness and is now simply awaiting the final passing of the disease.

PACIFYING THE SCHOOLS.

Superintendent Gastman and Principal Hamsher took measures to prevent a stampede on the public schools. They do not think that there is any occasion for alarm and have cautioned the teachers to be careful in what they say to the pupils about the outbreak of the disease in this city.

DAY OF RUMORS.

Monday was a day of rumors in the city. There were all kinds of reports circulating and according to these the disease had broken out on three or four different streets. There was no truth in these reports. The cases when they appear will be reported to the board of health and they will then be officially announced.

WERE FROZEN OUT

Circuit Court Was Adjourned Because the Room Was Too Cold.

IT IS A TECHNICAL POINT

Sullivan Damage Case to be Heard Here—Prisoners Will Be Arraigned Monday, Feb. 12th.

UNINTERESTING SESSION MONDAY

The zero temperature in the circuit court room compelled an early adjournment Monday. The weather was not so severe as has been known but the wind was in that quarter that it seemed to find an easy entrance to the room where the circuit court was being held. The windows and frames about the windows are so loose that during the high wind there is too free ventilation. Some of the attorneys complained about the temperature to such an extent that Judge Vail ordered an adjournment. There was a session during the forenoon but the afternoon session ended about 2 o'clock.

The trial of the day was the continuation of the suit of John Boland against the Decatur Cereal Mill company.

During the forenoon there was an argument in the suit of E. J. Miller vs. Isaac Hudson et al. This is a suit from Sullivan and comes here on a change of venue. There was a dispute between Miller and the municipal authorities about the street line where Miller has a corner lot. He finally erected a fence on what he understood was the lot line but at a point which the authorities said was in the public street. The city tore down the fence and he has brought suit to recover damages. Yesterday there was an argument on a technical point about the pleas. The point at issue being whether the city had given sufficient notice that the fence should be removed. There was leave given to amend and the suit therefore moves a point nearer a trial on the merits of the case. Messrs. Harbaugh & Whittaker appear for the plaintiff and I. R. Mills for the defense.

The determination has been reached that the call of the criminal docket will be had on Monday, February 12, and at that time the persons newly indicted and having been served will be arraigned for a plea. The docket orders entered yesterday follow:

CHANCERY.

Adele Prescott guardian vs. The Scott Mfg. Co., foreclosure. Decree pro confesso and referred for proof and conclusion.

LAW.

The Justice Cigar Factory vs. F. M. Young, et al.; assumpsit. Cause heard.

E. J. Miller vs. Isaac Hudson et al. trespass, change of venue from Moultrie Co. Demurrer sustained to 1, 2 and 3 special pleas and leave to amend.

R. J. Stratton vs. V. T. Milot, receiver, assumpsit. Dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

Kill the Train Robbers.

Cheyenne, Wyoming, Jan. 29.—It is reported a posse of Union Pacific detectives run down two of the Union Pacific train robbers in Hole-in-the-Ground, and after a desperate fight killed both. One of the pursuing party was shot but it is thought not seriously.

Dundonald Safely Back.

London, Jan. 29.—Great anxiety is removed by the announcement that Lord Dundonald's cavalry, which it was feared was isolated among the hills in the neighborhood of Acton Homes is safe on the south bank of the Tugela river.

For several years Dr. Shellenberger Chicago, the celebrated physician and surgeon, has visited us. He treats all forms of chronic diseases. His success has been marvelous and his treatment scientific. He certainly understands his specialties and insures good results. Each and every time. If you are incurable he will tell you. The doctor merits success in number of patients and in cures, this we know him personally and cheerfully recommend him as an honest, skillful and courteous gentleman.

It is a pleasure to consult with him although you do not desire treatment.

SUMMERS loans money on horses, cattle, grain, pianos, furniture or individual security.

BASE BALL TALK

A. F. Wilson a Committee of One to Feel the Pulse.

OF THE BASE BALL FANS

And Learn If All This Interest in a League Team is Deeper Than Fifty Cents.

TO TERRE HAUTE FOR POINTERS

The work of organizing a baseball association in Decatur is to be finally started. To the lovers of the game it will be good news that the work is to be undertaken in a systematic way and that if the association is organized out of the movement now on foot it will be on strictly business principles. The determination has been to pattern the organization after the organization of the major leagues and put forth a strong effort to make it win.

At the Columbia hall on North Main street last night a few fans attended the meeting called for the purpose of getting the work under way. The hope of the promoters had been that some of the men who are expected to contribute would be present, but they failed to appear. The enthusiasts who were present sat around for an hour or more but when they did get to work they finished the business in short order and started right.

During the early hour of the session, before the meeting had been called to order, there was much discussion in a general way. Jack Leighton, who has in other years been identified with the game, said that he was willing to give money to make the thing go but he would not take any active part in the management. He has other business to engage his attention now.

Shorty Martin, who is one of Decatur's best ball players and one of the best known men in the game, was in the same fix. He was willing to contribute but he would not play this year. He has other business to look after.

H. H. Miller, with whom the officers of the I.-I. league left the Decatur franchise, finally called the meeting to order. He made a brief statement saying that Mattoon, Danville, Terre Haute, Bloomington and Quincy were sure things in the league. It was the wish of the association to make an eight club league. If that could not be done they must be content with a six-team league. Decatur was looked upon as one of the best cities that could come into the league this year and the association was waiting to receive an answer from this city.

Jack Leighton made a brief statement to the effect that he association must first have money and there must be some persons at the head who were regarded as responsible else an appeal could not be made to the men who were expected to contribute. He said that instead of asking men to donate money to get a franchise in the league, they should be asked to become stockholders. The men who put up the money should meet and elect officers who would have the management of the affairs. They could appoint one of their own number and have a responsible head to look after the dollars and cents end of the string. In short he suggested that the association should start in a business way. He closed by making a motion that Archie F. Wilson be appointed a committee of one to present the situation to those men it was hoped to interest and when a sufficient amount of stock had been subscribed to warrant such proceeding, Mr. Wilson would call a meeting of the stockholders who could then proceed with the management as best suited them. Walter Moore gave a second and the motion prevailed without dissent.

After that there was some little talk in a general way and the meeting adjourned.

After the meeting last night Mr. Wilson said: "Tuesday morning I will go to Terre Haute and interview President Schmit of the I.-I. league and from him shall gather all information possible in relation to the demands which will be made upon Decatur in case we decide to organize a team here, shall learn what per cents are allowed on holiday games, how much it will cost us to get into the league and get the team here on its feet. Then when I go to work asking for subscriptions I will have the information necessary for those men who will be asked to put up the money."

Some of the persons who have been interested in trying to get the movement under way have appealed to Mr. Wilson and asked him to undertake the management of the team here but he positively declines. He says that he is willing to assist in getting the organization in shape and will subscribe for stock but when that is done he will step aside and let some one else look after the active management.

The belief exists that the time is now nearer ripe for a team in Decatur than it has been for years. In support of this statement it is pointed out that last year, time after time, when it was a certainty that the game would be a mere exhibition of how baseball should not be played, great crowds went to the race track to see baseball.

From this and from the lively interest taken in the possibility of Decatur getting into the I.-I. league the inference is drawn that instead of being a losing venture the game would actually be remunerative here during the season of 1900.

The plan of course is to get the baseball business on its feet in a systematic way. There are a number of men who have signified that they would contribute if a responsible head could be found to look after the business. Not a few of them remember the experience they had with Harry Decker. In speaking of this phase of the situation one of the promoters said last night: "It is now up to the men who will put up the money. They have declared that they were willing to do that if there was a responsible head. They may elect their own manager and run the club to suite themselves."

There was a suggestion made that the shares be of the value of $5 each. The reason for this is that not a few young men about town, working on salaries, are willing to contribute something to get the game under way and they would not hesitate to give $5 in order to get a good team here. Then, too it is believed that in that way a considerable amount might be realized and the more persons there are interested the better will be the attendance at the games.

After Mr. Wilson returns from Terre Haute tonight he will be in a position to talk subscriptions at once and declares his intention of beginning that work on Wednesday.

NEARBY TOWNS.

BEMENT.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Darl Evans and wife, Jan. 24, a son.

Mrs. Andrews is quite ill this week with la grippe.

J. T. Moore was in St. Louis the past week on business.

Mrs. Frank Yaleman of St. Louis, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Schuh of this city.

Henry Ward went to Galesville Wednesday to transact business.

Mrs. Cora Statsworth moved to Decatur Tuesday, where she will make her future home.

Marion Baker, of Mt. Vernon, was the guest of his brother-in-law, Henry Ward, a few days of last week.

Mr. Cunningham and wife moved to Decatur Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Muthersbaugh, of St. Louis, was called home on account of the illness and death of her father, Mr. Parker.

Homer Shaw, president of the village board, issued a proclamation Jan. 24 to the citizens of Bement. Owing to the smallpox at Monticello a quarantine was declared preventing citizens of Bement going to and returning from any town known to be infected. Also preventing citizens of infected towns coming to and stopping in Bement. The board also requested that the schools be closed from Jan. 5 to Feb. 5 and children be kept off the streets.

Ambrose Parker and family of Peoria came home to attend the funeral of his father.

Mr. Philipps of Sullivan spent Thursday with his partner, M. Harrell of this city.

Ambrose Parker of Iowa was called home to the bedside of his father.

James Hicks, of Monticello was in our city the first of the week.

Miss Julia Ann Hough is quite ill with erysipelas.

The dedication of the new school house which was to be Jan. 28 has been postponed indefinitely.

Miss Nellie Wall of Burrowsville was a Bement visitor Wednesday.

Mrs. Nellie Cash, of Orange City, N. J. arrived Thursday for an extended visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Barnett of this city.

Miss Violet Day is on the sick list.

Mr. Benson, of Decatur, was the guest of his cousin, Mr. Andrew Swenson Sunday.

Mr. Barker, of Milmine, was in our city Sunday.

Miss Sue Postlewait, of Decatur, visited relatives in our city last week.

John Fox, of Decatur, spent Sunday with Miss Wilhelmina Ernst.

DEATH OF WILLIAM PARKER.

Wm. Parker was born in Harrison county, Ohio, Sept. 4, 1821, and died Jan. 26, 1900, at the age of 78 years, 4 months, 22 days. His boyhood days were spent in Ohio. At the age of ten years his father died, leaving a wife and a large family. In Jan. 25, 1843, he was married to Miss Mary Seipel. To this union five children were born, four of whom are still living, two sons and two daughters. He learned the trade of making wagons in Crawfordsville, Ohio, and was also postmaster in that place. In 1864 he came to Illinois and lived on a farm, six miles north of Monticello. Owing to the health of his wife he left the farm and moved to Bement in 1859 where he has lived these past 40 years. His wife has been an invalid for 12 years. In February, 1860, he united with the Methodist church in this city and for 30 years has been a member of the church. He was a chapter member of the Masonic order. In 1893 they celebrated their golden wedding. The deceased was sick only a few days and his death was quite a shock to his many friends.

The funeral was held at the home in charge of the Masons. Rev. Kirkpatrick preached the funeral sermon. The bereaved family have the sympathy of their many friends in their sad affliction.

The funeral of Joseph Alvord was held at his home Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Jan. 29.

ATWOOD.

Mrs. N. N. Bonaffel spent last week in Decatur with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kitchen.

Mrs J. W. Biggs visited her sister Mrs. Addie Pierson at Pierson Satrday.

Emery Smith of Tuscola called on friends here Friday evening.

Mr. Bunyan of Hammond was in town Tuesday.

Dr. Bonaffel made a business trip to Monticello last week.

Will Jones was a Tuscola visitor the last of the week.

Mrs. Frank Rodgers returned Saturday from a visit with friends in Monticello.

Alfred Drew of Decatur was here last Thursday.

John Edmonson of Pierson was in Atwood last week,

Mrs. Morton returned Tuesday from a visit in Sadorus and Champaign.

D. K. Stovall was a Tuscola visitor last week.

Prof. Jeffers of Tuscola attended the Shaw lecture at the M. E. church last week.

The Atwood glee club will give an entertainment Friday evening. They will be assisted by Atwood's orchestra and Prof. Jeffers of Tuscola.

Last Tuesday, being Mrs. Wm. White's 40th birthday, the ladies' aid society of the Christian church planned a surprise in honor of the occasion. About thirty were present and all report an enjoyable evening. Mrs. White was the recipient of a beautiful teacher's bible given by the society.

Jan. 26.

MOWEAQUA.

Dr. Sparling and Chas. and Homer Tolly were in Shelbyville Tuesday.

Miss Mabel Sparling is in Heyworth this week the guest of Mrs. Lulu Shelton.

Mr. and Mrs. Melton Warren and Mr. and Mrs. Dan. Peters moved back from Crowley, La., Monday and will reside in the Warren farm near Allenlow.

Harry Unruh of Chester Penn., is visiting his wife at the home of his father George Keiser.

Mrs Walter Silvers of Shelbyville spent last week here with her sister, Mrs. John Angel.

Mrs. John Cairns is visiting her parents at Witt this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Atteberry left Saturday evening for their new home at Leon, Iowa.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John Rister Monday Jan. 22 a son.

Frank West a former Moweaqua resident will move back from Taylorville this week.

J. W. Brown of Blue Mound spent the latter part of last week here and while here sold his residence property to D. P. Keller the consideration being $800. Jan. 26.

MT. ZION.

Mrs. Horton and Mrs. Hatfield of Decatur attended the funeral of the child of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace-Walker, Tuesday of this week.

Charles Walker came home from Paris, Ill., Saturday to visit his sister who has been dangerously sick for some time.

Albert Sneezing will move to Iowa this spring where he has bought him a farm and will make his future home. He will load his car at Tuprin station. All his friends wish him success in his new home.

Mrs. Coyle of Mt. Zion visited in Decatur Monday.

E. R. Elliott will build a neat house of four rooms on the farm south of Mt. Zion in the near future.

R. E. Grindol of Oulten will build a house on W. S. Smith's farm east of Mt. Zion to live in while he works Mr. Smith's farm.

Rev. A. L. Plowman will be in Mt. Zion most of the week working in the meeting with Rev. M. O. Cockrum. There is good interest in the meeting and good congregations.

John Roberts will move in the spring on a farm close to Antioch church. The farm has not many improvements on it at present but will be improved this year.

Mr. Clifton is painting the new house of C. M. Danning which he has built on his new farm. Jan. 26.

BETHANY.

A telephone line has been built to Charles, Walter and David Sanners, and connects with the local exchange. The farmers are beginning to see the benefits to be derived from a telephone and they will soon be in use all over this part of the country.

Mrs. Laura Bevans of Shelbyville visited her sister, Mrs. Jacob Keil.

W. D. Fortner and family returned home Tuesday night from a months visit with relatives at Potomac.

Frank Lanum of Lovington was here Tuesday.

John Strain of Lovington is assisting J. M. Olive in his meat market.

O. D. Tucker of near Lovington and Miss Ora Rhodes were married at the home of the bride, Wednesday evening by Rev. W. P. Boman. There were quite a number of guests present. A fine wedding supper was served. Miss Rhodes is the daughter of Boone Rhodes and is well liked by all who know her.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sharp Friday morning, a daughter.

Miss Grace Moran is visiting relatives near Findlay. Jan. 27.

PIERSON.

Newt. Stalsworth transacted business in Atwood Friday.

Mart Lattrebo and wife visited their daughter, Mrs. John Shable at Fairbanks Wednesday.

Thwaite Abrams of Decatur visited his sister here, Mrs. H. Gross, Sunday.

Newt Carol and John Schroll transacted business in Decatur Monday.

S. Shaw has been very sick the past week but is reported better.

The family of J. L. Stalsworth who have been sick with fever are reported better.

Little Lois Keener who was very sick at the last writing is almost well.

It was reported a case of small pox was south of town in Henry Dick's family. It is to be hoped it is not true and that the disease will not reach us.

Will Davis of Cadwell was here to visit his sisters, Mesdames P. L. and Frank Tuson.

Fuson brothers purchased the office of Bert Fisher to be used as a grain office. They turned it around facing the north and are putting in their scales.

Jan 27.

The large and increasing circulation of The Iowa Homestead in this county is a matter for congratulation to the publishers and to good farming, for, of all the papers of its class in the country, it is easily the best and most helpful. Its Special Farmers' Institute editions, issued with the regular edition the first week in each month, have been for years the admiration of all practical farmers. Written wholly by farmers, they are full of actual experience and smell of the soil. We have been fortunate enough this season to secure terms for The Homestead and its Special Farmer's Institute Editions, together with The Poultry Farmer and The Farmers' Mutual Insurance Journal, four of the most valuable farm publications in the county, that enables us to offer the four in connection with the Decatur Semi-Weekly Herald for $1.25 for the entire five, one year. This is emphatically a good thing, and no farmer in this county should fail to take advantage of the offer. For a large line of thoroughly practical farm reading nothing has ever been offered before that equals it. The Semi-Weekly Herald, a farm paper, a poultry paper, a farm insurance paper and the Special Farmers' Institute, all for $1.25. Come in and order them. The offer is also open to subscribers who pay arrears and one year in advance for this paper.

Decatur Markets.

Decatur, Ill., Jan. 29 1900.

(These markets are carefully revised daily. Commission Men's Prices.

Butter, ready sale—		
Country, per lb	$.17	@ .18
Creamery	.24	@ .....
Eggs, per dozen	.14	@ .15
Northern Potatoes	.55	@ .60
Lemons, 300 size	3.50	@ .....
Bananas, straights, per bunch	1.00	@ 1.75
Peanuts, roasted, per lb	.07	@ .08
Peanuts, raw, per lb	.05	@ .06
Apples, per bbl	3.00	@ 3.75
Celery, per bunch	.30	@ .40
Sweet potatoes, per brl	3.50	@ 4.00
Onions, per bu	.50	@ .60

Oysters—Selects, 35c; Red Cross standards, 25c; O. K. standards, 22c; Bulk Oysters, per gallon, $1.00.

(The prices are paid by grocers.)

Butter, per lb	$.15	@ .16
Eggs, per dozen	.15	@ .....
Potatoes, home grown, per bu	.50	@ .55
Onions, per bu	.70	@ .....
Lard, per lb	.08	@ .....
Apples, per bu	.40	@ .50
POULTRY—LIVE WEIGHT.		
Hens, per lb	$.06	@ .....
Springs	.06½	@ .....
Cocks	.03½	@ .....
Ducks	.05	@ .....
Turkeys	.06	@ .....
Geese	.05	@ .....
GRAIN.		
Wheat, No. 2	.65	@ .....
Corn, white	.27	@ .....
Corn, yellow	.26	@ .....
Oats, white	.21	@ .....
Oats, mixed	.20	@ .....
Rye	.50	@ .....
BUTCHER STOCK.		
Hogs, per 100	4.00	@ 4.40
Shipping cattle	4.50	@ 5.50
Cows	2.00	@ 3.50
Heifers	3.00	@ 4.00
Butcher steers	3.50	@ 4.25
Calves	4.00	@ 4.50
Sheep	3.00	@ 4.00
Lambs	4.00	@ 5.50
HIDES TALLOW, ETC.		
Green hides, per lb	.07	@ .....
Cured Hides	.08	@ .....
Tallow, No. 1	.04½	@ .....
Tallow, No. 2	.04	@ .....
Sheep pelts	.25	@ 1.00
HAY AND STRAW.		
Baled hay—		
Timothy, new	$11.50	@ .....
Mixed	10.00	@ 11.00
Clover	9.00	@ 10.00
Straw	5.00	@ 6.00
Loose hay	1.50	@ 2.00
Lower than baled.		
Retail Prices.		
GRAIN		
Oats	.30	@ .....
Corn	.35	@ .....
BALED HAY AND STRAW		
Timothy, per cwt	.60	@ .65
Clover, per cwt	.50	@ .55
Straw per bale	.30	@ .....

New York society women are to raise a fund of $10,000 for "Bill" Anthony's widow.

WHAT IS THE USE?

To Need to Go Through Life a Sufferer.

Means of Relief Is Near at Hand and Recommended By People You Know.

What is the use to go on suffering with kidney backache, nervousness, sleeplessness and dizziness, when a 50-cent box of Morrow's Kid-ne-oids will cure you. Probably you have not heard of Kid-ne-oids so if you will read this statement it will pay you ten fold. We give you as reference A. Kromling, the contractor, who has been a resident of this city for twenty years and recommends Kid-ne-oids as follows: "I have been down nearly six weeks at a time with kidney trouble, pain in my back and hips and at times I could not work at all. My urine was in a very bad condition, highly colored and of a very bad odor. I have been a great sufferer and have used a great many kidney pills and different kinds of medicine, but got only temporary relief. Morrow's Kid-ne-oids were recommended to me and I decided to try them. The first few doses gave me instant relief. I am going to use another box, for Kid-ne-oids are all right. I am more than pleased to recommend them to all who suffer from any kind of kidney or urinary troubles."

Do you doubt this statement? If so, ask Mr. Kromling about the benefit he received by the use of Morrow's Kid-ne-oids; he will be glad to tell you of their merits. Kid-ne-oids are not pills, but Yellow Tablets and cure all kidney ailments nervousness, sleeplessness and backache. They are put up in wooden boxes which contain enough for about two weeks' treatment and sell at 50 cents a box at all drug stores and at Armstrong Bros' drug store.

A descriptive booklet will be mailed upon request by John Morrow & Co., chemists, Springfield, Ohio.

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At the New Brunswick Hotel for One Week.

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Dr. Starkweather has decided to give for a limited time to new patients an opportunity to fully test his wonderful treatment for the cure of all nervous diseases, rheumatism, paralysis, epilepsy, male and female weakness, skin and blood troubles, dyspepsia and piles by preparing and furnishing a free course of his marvellous medicine.

Tumors, ulcers, all blood and scalp diseases cured by an entirely new method. Piles cured in from five to thirty days without the knife.

All nervous diseases, troubles of women, skin and blood diseases cured. Catarrh in all its varied forms completely eradicated by breaking up the cold catching tendency and fully fortifying the nervous system.

To prevent disease as well as to cure is the mission of the true physician. The fear of disease causes disease. Dr. Starkweather's treatment overcomes fear.

If you are weak, low spirited, tired of life, you need the true sympathy, advice and skill of the most successful specialist. Those of either sex who are suffering untold misery on account of vital weakness and physical exhaustion, feeling self condemned, melancholy and friendless, may now see through the gloom the shining star of hope and take courage, strength, health and happiness through the marvelous medicine which has cured hundreds and which Dr. Starkweather positively asserts and guarantees will cure you.

The doctor's success in the treatment of cases in your city and vicinity has been indeed remarkable. This is an opportunity which will be taken advantage of by those who have heretofore been disappointed in the results expected, for it is found upon careful investigation that Dr. Starkweather is an able specialist and reliable man, a regularly educated physician, a graduate of Berkshire medical institute of Massachusetts and of the medical chirological college of Philadelphia, endorsed by the Bellevue hospital medical college and the college of physicians and surgeons of New York city and by the board of regents of the state of New York, having had an experience of thirty-five years' hospital and private practice and enjoys the confidence of thousands of rejoicing patients.

Hours 9 a. m. to 8 p. m. Go early.

PILES

"I suffered the tortures of the damned with protruding piles brought on by constipation with which I was afflicted for twenty years. I ran across your CASCARETS in the town of Newell, Ia., and never found anything to equal them. To-day I am entirely free from piles and feel like a new man."
C. H. KEITZ, 1411 Jones St., Sioux City, Ia.

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Ground Hog Day.

Friday is groundhog day. "The little weather prognosticator is expected to come out on that day and decide whether we are at the end of winter or whether we will have to submit to six weeks more of it.

NEWSPAPERARCHIVE®

THE WOUND FATAL

Sheriff Barnickol, of Belleville, Shot By a Prisoner Is Dead.

REFUSES TO ISSUE A CALL

County Clerk Holds the Primary Law Not In Force in Champaign County.

THE NEWS FROM NEARBY TOWNS

Belleville, Jan. 29.—Herman Barnickol, sheriff of St. Clair county, died here Saturday night. His death was due to a wound received two weeks ago in quelling a mutiny in the jail. Fifteen of the prisoners made a break for liberty. They overpowered the turnkey, Fred Phillips, and took his revolver from him.

The sheriff went to Phillips' assistance, and Henton Revelle, one of the prisoner, shot at him. He threw his left arm over his heart and received the bullet in his forearm. He shot Revelle through the body. Revelle died next day.

Barnickol's wound was not at first considered serious, but an artery burst yesterday, and to prevent him from bleeding to death his arm was amputated. He did not survive the shock.

Mr. Barnickol was 41 years old. He was elected sheriff over a year ago, having been a deputy before that. He was married only a few months ago. His wife heroically assisted him in preventing the escape of the prisoners two weeks ago. The prisoners made another attempt to escape yesterday, but were quelled by Turnkey Phillips.

WILL NOT ISSUE CALL

County Clerk at Champaign Holds Primary Law Is Not in Force.

Champaign, Jan. 29.—The county clerk of this county has refused to issue the call for holding a primary election to choose delegates to the republican county convention, called to meet in this city on May 3, holding that the primary election law is now in force in the county.

The question arises from the fact that in November, 1898 the people adopted the primary election law passed at the special session of the legislature in that year, and at the session in 1899 another primary law was passed which has not been adopted in this county.

The inference is drawn that the primary law is not in force, and the papers are in process of preparation for beginning a quo warranto proceeding next week to test the validity of the clerk's course and therefore of the applicability of the law to this county without a further vote for its adoption. The republican and democratic committees have both been charged to unite in the proceedings.

WILL REORGANIZE

Citizens of Champaign to Re-Establish Local Telephone Co.

Champaign, Jan. 29.—An effort is being made here to organize a stock company of citizens of Champaign and Urbana to purchase the Phoenix telephone plant, a local institution, which has been in the hands of a receiver for some time. The reason for its being in its present shape, financially it is said, was because an issue of mortgage bonds was disposed of through the manipulation of an "agent" and the returns were a bunch of notes on which nothing could be realized. With the condition of affairs it was considered advisable to ask the protection of the courts, which was done. The object in organizing the new company is to purchase stock owned by people outside the state, a controlling interest, and get it into the hands of people who use the 'phones. The cost will be something like $12,000. Then it is proposed to spend about $20,000 more in rebuilding the lines, putting in new switchboards and giving the plant a capacity of 600 'phones, 200 more than are now in use and which it is said can be easily secured now on account of the feeling against the Central Union telephone company, which has recently rebuilt its plant here and raised the price for service.

WOLF BOUNTIES

Monroe County Farmers Have Trouble With the Animals.

Red Bud, Jan. 29.—For several weeks a wolf scare has been in full force in this neighborhood. It culminated this week in a desperate fight between a hunter and a wolf and the killing of the wolf. There are believed to be three or four more of the animals, however.

The wolves were first seen in the vicinity of Waterloo. There were five full-grown mountain wolves in the pack then. They were seen by many farmers but were so fleet of foot that nobody could get near enough to them to take a shot at them. They ranged through the woods and at night came near the farmhouses and killed sheep and poultry. The depredations became so serious that the authority of Monroe county offered a reward of $10 for every wolf skin brought in.

Fire At Ramsay.

Ramsey, Jan. 29.—Fire broke out in the Commercial hotel at 8 a. m. today, communicating to four other frame buildings, all of which were totally consumed. The loser Dr. Andrews, hotel building, $1,000; J. P. Jepperson, blacksmith shop, $800; F. M. Bolt, buildings, $550; Jacob Strobel, $350; J. T. Martin, furniture in hotel, $500; George Rogers, poultry, $250; E. Turner, $150; Sharp & Burrows, $200; Carey hotel damaged $50. The postoffice building was burned, but all the fixtures, letters and supplies were saved.

Miners' Narrow Escape.

Springfield, Jan. 29.—The mine of the Athens Mining company in Menard county caught fire this morning from an explosion of three barrels of oil. The men were in the shaft at the time, but were rescued, nearly suffocated. Two of their number, Jackson Davis and John Denning, had to be carried from the shaft. The fire was extinguished promptly, but the company suffered considerable loss.

Marquis Clay Hawkins.

Pinckneyville, Ill., Jan. 29.—Marquis Cy Hawkins died in this city this morning at the residence of his son, Edward, aged 72 years. Deceased was born in Ohio in 1827, and was an early settler in Perry county. He was a veteran of the Mexican war. Mr. Hawkins leaves a widow and five children, among the the present state's attorney for Perry county, C. R. Hawkins.

Knocked His Eye Out.

Springfield, Jan. 29.—Mrs. Da Hunter, of Virden today struck her husband with a hatchet and cut out one of his eyes. Hunter is a coal miner and he had some trouble with his wife early this morning. It is claimed he attacked her, when she grasped the hatchet and struck him. Hunter will live.

Cannons For Mount Pulaski.

Lincoln, Jan. 29.—The city of Mount Pulaski, in this county, through Congressman Caldwell, will be presented with two historic cannon by the government. The guns will be mounted in the public square.

KEEP 'EM DRY

Moisture Is What Causes Potatoes to Freeze.

John Zurlseller, the commission man on North Broadway, has a big lot of potatoes on hand and unless one stopped to hear him explain why it was so one might readily believe that all of the tubers would be frozen solid during such weather as that of Saturday and Sunday night. The room is perhaps 50 feet deep and in one corner is a small stove but that is partitioned off from the balance of room which might truthfully be described as cold as a barn. A thermometer on the outside of the door showed that the temperature Monday morning was two degrees below zero. A thermometer just inside of the door showed the temperature to be 38 above. There was practically no fire in the stove but the temperature was not at freezing point. In sacks there were perhaps 600 bushels of fine potatoes. When asked how he kept them from freezing Zurlseller said: "Potatoes if piled in bulk will go through a sweat and that means that vegetable moisture accumulates upon them. Of course when they are moist they are more apt to freeze. We keep them in sacks and that helps to keep them dry and we never have any freezing. While this room is cold enough to make you shiver the temperature is away above freezing. Persons who keep their tubers in a cellar and suffer loss by freezing would save themselves that annoyance if they would keep their potatoes in sacks. In extreme cold weather we not only keep them in sacks but throw over them a heavy canvas and that gives additional protection. In the coldest weather we never feel any uneasiness for the potatoes."

THE OTHER SIDE

Catherine Waugh McCullough Answers the Anti-Suffragists

Some days ago an address issued by women opposed to equal suffrage was published in the Herald. The adherents of that policy furnish the following from Catherine Waugh McCullough in answer.

It sounds like a voice from the dark ages, this saying that citizens should not participate in government if they are not able to fight. Yet this is an objection seriously made against women voting by the fourteen persons who compose the Illinois Anti-Suffrage Association. The recent pamphlet sent out by this industrious club bases the right to vote on the ability to fight.

While the test is never applied to men not even in communities less free than our own and should not now when society demands "votes which stand for brains, not muscles for conscience," as Mrs. Catt once said, yet this antiquated objection to woman suffrage is again pushed forward.

Hon. John D. Long, secretary of the navy, who should know something about war tersely says:

"Think of arguing with a sober face against a man whose brains are reduced to such a minimum that he solemnly asserts that a woman should not vote because she cannot fight! In the first place she can fight; in the second, men are largely exempt from military service; and in the third, there is not the remotest relation between firing a musket and casting a ballot."

Secretary Long is right in saying women can fight. But when none of them do fight we put them in our lockups and call on ourselves and thus discourage the latent military spirit.

But in times of war women have performed valuable service. All veterans know this. It is the sion or professional men or clerks or the draft dodger who makes such objections as this. In all the wars of our country women not only openly nursed the wounded, prepared supplies and did the father's work at home, but brave women secretly marched by the side of husband or brother.

Mr. Ellet has compiled in three large volumes the record of women's work in our first great war, "The Women of the Revolution," is its title. Mrs. Needham in a work entitled "Female Warriors," has told of hundreds of cases where women have fought in the ranks and have held official positions in armies.

Let the antis read these books and they too will conclude that women can fight.

Saving Time.

The Illinois Central has shortened the time between this city and New Orleans by about fifteen minutes. The train that leaves Decatur at 9:20 a. m. reaches New Orleans the following morning at 9:45 which is fifteen minutes earlier than under the old schedule. The time between this city and Omaha is also shortened somewhat.

Eggs.

Strictly fresh eggs are now quoted at 12½ cents per dozen. That is the price the shippers pay to the farmer.

How Are Your Kidneys?
Dr. Hobbs' Sparagus Pills cure all kidney ills. Sample free. Add. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or N. Y.

LOSS WAS HEAVY

Fifteen Hundred English Dead Left On the Late Battle Field.

BULLER TELLS OF RETREAT

Lack of Water, Inability to Plant Artillery And Boer Fire

WERE THE THREE CAUSES

Recrosses the Tugela And Admits His Inability to Cope With Boers.

Boer Head Laager, Ladysmith, Jan. 27, 6 p. m. The British dead left on the battlefield yesterday numbered 1500.

London, Jan. 28.—Gen. Buller's despatch to the war office states that Spion Kop was abandoned on account of the lack of water, the inability to bring the artillery there and the heavy Boer fire. General Buller gives no list of the casualties. His whole force withdrew south of the Tugela river with the evident intention of reaching Ladysmith by another route.

London, Jan. 28.—The following is the text of Buller's despatch dated Spearman's Camp, Saturday, 27 6.10 p. m.:

On January 20 Gen. Warren drove back the enemy and obtained possession of the southern crests of the high tableland extending from the line of Acton Homes and Hongers Poort to the western Ladysmith hills. From then to the 25th he remained in close contact with the enemy.

"The enemy held a strong position in a range of small kopjes stretching from northwest to south east across the plateau from Acton Homes through Spion Kop to the left bank of the Tugela.

"The actual position held was perfectly tenable, but did not lend itself to an advance as on the southern slopes our stopped. Warren could not get an effective artillery position, and the water supply was a difficulty.

"On January 23, I assented to his attacking Spion Kop, a large hill, indeed a mountain, which was evidently the key of the position but was far more accessible from the north than from the south.

"On the night of January 23 he attacked Spion Kop but found it very difficult to hold as its perimeter was too large, and water, which he had been led to believe existed, in this extraordinary dry season was found very deficient.

"The crests were held all Wednesday against severe attacks and a heavy shell fire. Our men fought with great gallantry. I would specially mention the conduct of the Second Cameronians and the Third King's rifles who supported the attack on the mountain from the steepest side and in each case fought their way to the top, and the second Lancashire fusiliers and second Middlesex, who magnificently maintained the best traditions of the British army throughout the trying day of the 24th and Thorneycroft's mounted infantry, who fought throughout the day equally well alongside of them.

"Gen. Woodgate, who was in command of the summit, having been wounded, the officer who succeeded him decided on the night of the 24th to abandon the position and did so before dawn of the 25th.

"I reached Warren's camp at 5 a. m. the 25th and decided that the attack on Spion Kop was useless and that the enemy's right was too strong to allow me to force it.

"Accordingly I decided to withdraw my force to the south of the Tugela. At 6 a. m., we commenced withdrawing the train and by 8 a. m., of the 27th Warren's force was concentrated south of Tugela without the loss of a man or a pound of stores.

"The fact that the force could withdraw from actual touch—in one case the lines were less than 1000 yards apart—with the enemy in the manner it did, is, I think, sufficient evidence of the morale of the troops and that we were permitted to withdraw our cumbrous ox and mule transport across the river, 85 yards broad, with 20 foot banks and a very swift current, unmolested, is, I think, proof that the enemy has been taught to respect our soldiers' fighting powers."

WHITE FLAG WENT UP

Boers Take One Hundred and Fifty Prisoners—Burghers Brave Fighters.

Boer Headquarters, Modder Spruit, Upper Tugela, Wednesday midnight, via Lorenzo Marques, Jan. 25—Some Vryheid burghers from the outposts on the highest hills of the Spion Kop group rushed into the laager saying that the kop was lost and that the English had taken it. Reinforcements were ordered up, but nothing could be done for some time, the hill being enveloped in a thick mist.

At dawn the Heidelburg and Carlona contingents, supplemented from other commandos, began the ascent of the hill. Three spurs, precipitous projections faced the Boer position. Up these the advance was made. The horses were left under the flat terrace of rocks.

Scaling the steep hill the Boers found the English had improved the opportunity and were entrenched heavily. Between the line of trenches was an open veldt, which had to be rushed under a heavy fire, not only from the rifles, but of lyddite and shrapnel from the field guns.

Three forces ascended the three spurs coordinately under cover of fire from the Free State Krupps, creusots and big Maxim. The English tried to rush the Boers with the bayonet, but their infantry went down before the Boer rifle fire as before a scythe.

The Boer investing party advanced step by step until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, when a white flag went up and 150 men in the front trenches surrendered, being sent prisoners to the head laager.

The Boer advance continued on two kopjes east of Spion Kop. Many Boers were shot but so numerous were the burghers that the gaps filled automatically. To ward twilight they reached the summit of the second kopje, but did not get further.

The British Maxims belched flame, but a wall of fire from Mausers held the English back. Their centre under this pressure gradually gave way and broke and they abandoned the position.

The officers speak highly of the bravery of the burghers, who, despising cover stood against the skyline on the edges of the summit ... the Dublin fusiliers stationed in the trenches. The firing continued for some time, then the fusiliers and the Highlanders, seeing an infantry throw up ... and rushed out of the trenches.

The effect of the abandonment of Spion Kop by the English can hardly be gauged as yet, but it must prove to be immense.

An extraordinarily high proportion of lyddite shells did not explode.

BULLER'S EXCUSE

He Should Have Posted Himself Before Assaulting Spion Kop.

London, Jan. 29.—During the morning and the earlier part of the afternoon a placard, bearing the words "No news" was hung on the iron railing in front of the war office, but about 5 p. m. the placard was taken in and on the bulletin boards in the hall. Buller's long despatch was displayed.

The Sunday papers issued extras, but only the faintest interest was manifested in the streets. At the service and the clubs the situation revealed by Gen. Buller was regarded very unpleasant. His excuses or explanations were characterized as very weak. The absence of water which Sir Charles Warren was "led to believe" existed and the fact that Spion Kop was "in fact a mountain" that its "perimeter was too large" are all matters which even Gen. Buller's warmest admirers hold should have been ascertained before he attacked.

One comforting feature of the situation, however, is the fact that Buller's retirement across the Tugela was accomplished without loss, which puts an end to the unpleasant rumors in circulation here and on the continent. The splendid gallantry of the men in capturing Spion Kop is read of with great pride and satisfaction. It is taken as an assurance of the ultimate success of the British arms.

The war office does not give any idea of the casualties in taking and holding Spion Kop, but the report from Boer headquarters near Ladysmith via Lorenzo-Marques, say 1500 British dead were left on the battlefield. This number is thought to include the wounded.

The report also stated that Buller had been down with fever but had recovered.

If Boer reports are to be accepted, "the abandonment of Spion Kop was due to the inability of the British to resist the Boer attack, the Boers carrying the first trenches and taking 150 prisoners."

The following despatch has been received in London from Pretoria, dated the 25th in Lorenzo-Marques the 29th.

"The government is advised that after heavy fighting near Spion Kop, some British on the kop hoisted the white flag. One hundred and fifty are prisoners. God be thanked, although we also had given brave and valuable lives."

GREATEST DISASTER YET

England Is Appalled By Buller's Last Reverse.

London, Jan. 29—The week has opened with the utmost gloom for the British public, the reaction being all the stronger because of the high hopes reposed in Buller's turning movement and his announcement that there would be "no turning back."

At the very moment when a Dr. Leyds was being received as the honored guest in high circles on the continent, Great Britain has to face the worst disaster in the campaign thus far disastrous. Open talk is heard of the absolute necessity abandoning Ladysmith to its fate, while Roberts reverts to his original plan of advance over the Orange river upon Bloemfontein.

To Ladysmith the disappointment must be very bitter. A dispatch from a Boer laager near the town dated the 25th, describes the garrison as "very evidently preparing a dash, intended to effect a junction with Buller's advancing army." It may be regarded as a certainty that in the event of the failure of early relief, White's garrison has clearly been training extra rations ... which has given rise to the exaggerated idea ... that lengths of time to provision will last.

Even should it be decided to send Buller fresh reinforcements to reach Ladysmith by a movement on his right, there is ... country east of Colenso, it is extremely doubtful whether the garrison could hold out long enough as such a movement will occupy at least a month.

The Times says: "The most carefully planned and executed movement of the whole campaign ... has failed, and it must now be evident to all ... upon the ... probability that we shall learn a ... in the course of a little later, of a catastrophe which is without precedent in our military history, a catastrophe in fact without parallel except in the surrender at Yorktown.

"We are checked at every point of the campaign. In fact the campaign is still to begin. We wish we had clearer proofs that even now the government has any adequate comprehension of the situation. The utterances of responsible ministers have done nothing to reassure the country on this point.

"Heavy or light, the thing has to be done and the government ought to prepare for the immediate dispatch of 50,000 men and take steps to send yet another 50,000 if needed."

All the editorials this morning breathe the spirit of calm determination. No one will allow that any reverse could deter the country from the object it has set itself to attain whatever sacrifices may be involved.

A very frank criticism of the government, however, is beginning to be heard even in quarters that hitherto have refrained.

The Daily Mail boldly throws all the blame upon Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, Lord Lansdowne and Lord Wolseley. It points out that President Lincoln's dismissal of Simon Cameron from the post of secretary of war is an precedent for "getting rid of incompetent ministers."

The Standard and other papers reflect the anxiety of the public to learn how much truth there is in the Boer accounts of the fighting at Spion Kop. Buller's obscurity is rather bitterly criticised as well as the evident fact that the censor not only is heavily delaying but deploting all important matter from the few newspaper despatches. To judge with any accuracy the extent of the disaster is virtually impossible.

It appears that Buller had altogether five brigades wholly or partly engaged. Gen. Cook, Hilyar's, Harts, Woodgates and Lyttleton's and the 270 casualties already mentioned in Lyttleton's brigade are thus explained. Much mystery still surrounds the retreat. It is impossible that Buller has withdrawn his whole forces, but it is generally assumed that Lyttleton's brigade and Dundonald's cavalry and other troops are still on the north side of the Tugela.

Buller's confidence that the Boers did not molest their retreat because they have been taught to respect the fighting powers of the British soldier not shared in London. It is thought rather the Boers had other plans in store or did not wish to waste men.

Large arrivals of troops are due in Cape Town during the week.

There has been great activity in military quarters in all parts of England since Saturday morning.

The situation at other points is unchanged but the indications are that Roberts is preparing plans for an advance across the Orange river come in a dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from Sterkstroom Jan. 25, which says: "Thebtl an important position near Stormberg on the Sternberg-Rosmead line, is now occupied by the British who are repairing the railway and bridges. A correspondent observes that this will facilitate communication between Generals Gatacre and Kelly-Kenny.

Deeds Recorded.

Chas. S. Hawkins to Elizabeth A. Stroh the north half of lot 6 in block 6 in Durfee and King's addition to Decatur; $1600.

W. C. Miller to Hedon I. Lalsen, one-half interest in the north half of lot 17 in block 1 in May Bros. and Traver's addition to Decatur; and lot 11 in C. W. Battle's sub-division; $1.

JUVENILE HOLD UP

Small Boy at Boody Made to Give Up His Coin.

The little town of Boody comes to the front with a genuine case of hold up and although the perpetrators of the crime are only boys the affair is being investigated by the members of the grand jury. Two boys held up another on the public highway and at the point of a shot gun compelled him to keep still while the robbers went through his pockets.

As the story comes from Boody the nine-year-old son of Sam Petzer living three miles north of there was sent to the village about Wednesday of last week to buy groceries and was given the money to pay for the goods he was to get. When within a short distance of the village and while walking along the road he was stopped by two boys, who at the point of a shot gun, ordered him to give up what money he had. To hurry matters one of the juvenile robbers went through the pockets of Petzer while the other boy held the gun on him. The Petzer boy was pretty badly frightened by the result of the footpads and when released by them he immediately made for home and informed his father of what had occurred. He was of the opinion that he would be able to recognize the boys if he should see them again and in order to make the test about a dozen of the young boys of the town were lined up in the depot office and the Petzer boy was brought in and allowed to pick out the boys who were guilty of the crime. Petzer was able to identify one of the fellows, a boy named Williams, the son of a widow in Boody and a boy who has an unsavory reputation about the town on account of his inclinations to play pranks. Petzer picked out a second boy by the name of Roy Weatherford but he was not able to positively identify him as one of the boys but was of the opinion that he was the boy who went through his pocket while Williams held the gun on him.

Other men who passed along the road and met the two boys with the gun are to be called to identify them and an investigation will be made of the entire affair with a view of bringing the guilty boys to justice. It is said that the matter has been presented to the grand jury for investigation. The Williams and the Rutherford boy are about 13 and 14 years of age respectively.

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ALL ORDERS DISCHA

No Attention Paid to Either T Goebel's Edicts.

Frankfort, Feb. 1.—News from not Goebel's room at midnight and indicates that he may possibly fore morning. The action of the grown weaker.

At 1 o'clock this morning D said Goebel would probably live the night. He added, however, the possibility of uraemic poisoning it was possible the governor would convulsions at any time.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 1—Gov. passed an unfavorable day althoug fairly comfortable when night ca He has a half dozen doctors arou and reports of his condition vary to the last physician who leaves the One doctor is confident that he wil and another generally allows him or two before he breathes his la strength is maintained to a great injections. He has had several spells out of which he was broug some difficulty. He seemed to rally idly from each successive collapse his own steadily throughout the af his kidneys have practically cease functions and slight symptoms o monia have appeared but have not become so serious as to cause a themselves. The doctors as a who tain no hopes of his recovery.

At 9:30 Dr. McCormick declare this opinion there was no reason wh should not recover. The traces monia which had appeared, he dec be a usual occurrence in cases of th

SEEKING A SETTLEM

Republicans Make a Proposition B ocrats Reject It.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 1—For time since the shooting of Goeb were today signs of a peaceful set The signs were few, small and hav peared, but the hole into which th withdrawn has been left open and a chance that they may reappear. inal proposition looking tow amicable adjustment came from th lican side just before noon, when Edelen of Frankfort one of Gov. attorneys, appeared at the Capitol hold a conference with Judge Pryo McQuown and Col. Wm. Scott, visers of the democracy. Edelen Taylor and the republican part anxious to avoid anything that to serious trouble, as present co might do, if nothing was done to it. He was assured by the demo torneys that they were as anxious any clash between the parties as th icans could be. Edelen then pro submit it to the Kentucky court which he declared, judging by th of Haselrigg in swearing in Goeb probably decide against Gov. Ta wanted the right to submit the the United States supreme court fo settlement.

The lawyers agreed to meet aga o'clock this afternoon. When the the second time Edelen again his proposition, and received the the democratic attorneys desired the matter adjudicated in the state Edelen objected, saying he wished settlement made in the supreme Washington. Edelen asked for th regarding the seating of Goebel joint session last night. As it had peatedly announced that the re would claim that the seating of the or by joint ballot is contrary to th election law of Kentucky, which the republicans claim, that a vote taken separately, the democrats to say anything about the meeting

Mr. McQuown urged the republ concede the election and seating o which Edelen declined to entertain

Both sides were at the end of spective ropes and the lawyers sep

Two direct slaps were given G lor today by public officers who de obey his orders. The first came fr dent Rodman of the Farmer's Ban is the state depository. Some vouchers on the bank signed by favor of militia officers, were pre the bank and payment was refuse man declared he would take no ch paying out money until satisfied acting under proper authority.

The second instance promised to have serious consequences, an may yet arise from it.

Gov. Taylor issued a pardon to Hayes, a convict, in the Frankf tentiary, who is serving a five ye ence for manslaughter. When t was sent to Warden Lillard he de could not turn the man loose unti

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